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Kowloon ...Dep.	6.40	8.05	9.10	10.00	12.00	1.15	2.15	4.35	5.43	7.15
Yaumati ...Dep.	6.49	—	9.20	10.07	12.07	1.23	—	4.42	5.50	7.23
Shatin ...Dep.	7.01	—	9.33	10.19	12.19	1.34	—	4.54	6.04	7.35
Taipo ...Dep.	7.15	—	9.48	10.32	12.32	1.47	—	5.07	6.15	7.48
Taipo Market Dep.	7.20	—	9.53	10.36	12.36	1.51	—	5.11	6.19	7.52
Fanling ...Dep.	7.30	—	10.05	10.46	12.46	2.01	—	5.21	6.30	8.02
Sheungshui..Dep.	7.35	—	10.10	10.51	12.51	2.06	—	5.25	6.35	8.07
Sham Chun..Arr.	7.41	8.45	10.16	10.57	12.57	2.12	2.55	5.32	6.41	8.13
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Sheungshui ..Dep.	7.25	8.12	10.41	—	11.44	3.05	4.48	5.56	—
Fanling ...Dep.	7.30	8.16	10.46	—	11.49	3.10	4.52	6.00	—
Taipo Market Dep.	7.40	8.26	10.56	—	12.00	3.21	5.02	6.10	—
Taipo ...Dep.	7.44	8.31	11.00	—	12.05	3.26	5.07	6.15	—
Shatin ...Dep.	7.57	8.44	11.13	—	12.19	3.39	5.20	6.28	—
Yaumati ...Dep.	8.11	8.56	11.25	—	12.31	3.51	5.32	6.40	—
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TRADE ROUTE TO THE EAST.

CHANGE IN ADMIRALTY POLICY?

AN AMERICAN REPORT.

PROPOSALS IN THE COTTON TRADE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, January 14th.

An American paper publishes a message from London to the effect that the British Admiralty is working out a change in its Eastern and Far Eastern policy, which assumes that the Mediterranean will not be open as a trade route if in the next war our enemies desire to close it from us. It is also stated that we intend to develop our old trade route to the East by way of the Cape. Towards this end great ship and seaplane bases are to be established at St. Helena and Ascension.

Of course, the paper may be right, and probably is right in the sense that all Admiralties have beautiful plans in their pigeon-holes to meet every possible emergency. But it taxes one's credulity when it is stated that bases are contemplated at St. Helena and Ascension. If the idea has any substance it exists only on paper.

The British trade route to the East has often been discussed in the past. It is an attractive subject. There is a certain historical glamour about the old way 'round the Cape, with the China clippers beating up the west coast of Africa in sunshine and storm, in the race for England with the first of the season's cargoes of tea. For the rest all that need be said is that an alternative sea route for shipping is only one of many new problems that have been suggested by the submarine menace in the war.

Lancashire Cotton Troubles.

The Lancashire cotton spinners seem to be bitten with the notion that the way to rehabilitate the industry is to cut down wages and lengthen hours of labour. This in short is what the employers have just put forward, though I may say that nobody believes that the proposal will be submitted seriously to the operatives. The chief interest in the fact is that it discloses the state of mind of the people at the head of affairs. In London there is a disposition to laugh at the iden, and it is meeting with a certain amount of ridicule in the Press.

The employers propose to raise the working hours from forty-eight to fifty-two and a quarter, and to reduce wages by an amount that would represent a drop of twelve and a half per cent. on current earnings. But it is to the credit of some of the employers that they realise the part played by faulty finance in getting them into their present unhappy position. They know that something will have to be done, but it is simply looking for trouble to meddle with hours and wages as a means of getting them out of the mess.

If they can induce the banks to cut some of their losses and the weaker mills to submit to drastic reductions of capital, they will have taken more effective steps towards reorganisation than by lengthening hours and lowering wages.

The General Election.

The repeated references by the Prime Minister to the General Election has set the politicians wondering whether there will, after all, be an appeal to the country this year. There can, of course, be nothing definite on the matter; everything depends on the course of events and the state of the national finances. It is thought that the Government cannot face the electors until and unless they are able to show some reduction in the volume of taxation. The interesting question is whether Mr. Churchill can manage that before the end of the year.

(*Continued on next Column.*)

DEATH OF CAPT. J. G. MUTTER.

TWENTY YEARS WITH JARDINE MATHESON & COMPANY.

ENTERPRISE IN HANKOW.

Captain J. Gordon Mutter died at Liverpool on January 5th, after a very short illness. For many years past he had been a member of the Imperial Merchant Service Guild, of which he was chairman of the Management Committee for three years, and was a representative on both the Masters' and Navigating Officers' Panels of the National Maritime Board, the Officers' Families Fund, administered at the Liverpool Town Hall by the Lord Mayor, and the Seafarers' Education Service. He was also a member of the Mersey District Committee of the Mercantile Marine Masters' and Officers' Relief Fund.

Captain Mutter went to sea at the age of nine in a ship commanded by his father, who was part owner. His father had a strong prejudice against steamers, and was wont to say to him, "My boy, never set your foot on one of those wheelbarrows, because if you do you will never be a sailor." Captain Mutter was, however, in command at 21, and soon afterwards took command in Messrs. Henry Fernies' ships of Liverpool. Leaving this employ he served in the Irrawaddy Flotilla Company for three years, and then went to Shanghai and joined the firm of Messrs. Jardine Matheson, and Co. as second officer. In four years he was appointed to command the *Chang Wo*, and remained with the company for over 20 years.

On his retirement in 1903 he started the Crystal Ice Works at Hankow, which proved very successful until they were burnt down, Captain Mutter narrowly escaping from the burning building with his life. He leaves a widow and three sons.

In the meantime Mr. Baldwin is warning his supporters that they must bear steadfastly in mind that a General Election is looming ahead. His warning is having effect. The Conservatives are enthusiastic, and are mobilising their forces in order to defeat the Socialist proposal for a surtax—a special tax on incomes of £500 a year and over. The fact is being driven home that the effect of such an imposition would be to make things more difficult for Capital, and in that way reduce the chances of employment for those who are out of work.

The surtax is a seductive proposal, designed to catch votes among the working classes, and its evil effects are being exposed by the Conservative Party in the country. But it is a big task to drive home the facts.

Shipbuilding Revival.

The shipbuilding returns issued for 1927 this week make very agreeable reading, for they show that there has been a real revival in construction so far as this country is concerned. While there has been a greater output all over the world, the increase recorded for British yards has almost doubled. There cannot be a better proof that trade recovery has at last begun to make itself manifest. A point to be specially noted is that more than one-fourth of present construction here is on account of foreign and Dominion owners—an excellent sign that the old confidence in our yards is everywhere returning.

Another point in the report is that coal will have to be very prompt to justify itself if it is to make a successful fight with oil. Of the vessels now building of 6,000 tons and upwards two out of every three burn oil. No doubt this is due in some measure to all the trouble that we have had in the coalfields in recent years. Shipowners were driven to consider the whole question with a view of making themselves independent of the miners who were so woefully misled. The genius of engineers has done the rest.

It is good also to observe how easily Lloyd's Register continues to hold its own. Of the ships now building seventy per cent. are being constructed under its survey. This is something of which Great Britain has reason to be proud.—H.B.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.

Feast of Lanterns (*Shang-yuan-chieh*).
Pope Pius XI. elected, 1922.
31st Ordinary annual meeting, China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., 6th floor, Pedder Building, noon.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30—6.30 p.m.; Café Regent, 5—6.30 p.m.
Hockey: Y.M.C.A. v. H.K.S.R.A. III.
Lecture by Professor J. L. Shellshear on "Evolution of the Intelligence," Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.
Café Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.
Dance at the Royal Engineers' Dance Club, Wellington Barracks, 8.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Ben Hur."
World Theatre: "Winning of Barbara Worth."
Star Theatre: "Palm Beach Girl."
Principal Mails:—Inward: Australia, etc. (*Tanda*); U.S.A., Canada, etc. (*President Pierce*). Outward: Europe *via* Siberia (*Kashima Maru*), 5 p.m.

Tuesday.

23rd Annual Meeting the Union Waterboat Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Dodwell's offices, 11 a.m.
Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30—6.30 p.m.; Café Regent, 5—6.30 p.m.
Hockey: Club 2nd XI. v. Club de Recreio, King's Park, 5 p.m.
"Cheer O" Y.M.C.A.: Sing-Song, 7.30 p.m.
Café Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Gaucho."
World Theatre: "Irresistible Lover."
Star Theatre: "The Eagle."
The Banvard Musical Company present "Katja, The Dancer," Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.
Principal Mails:—Inward: Australia, etc. (*Changte*). Outward: Europe *via* Marseilles, *etc.* (*Perseus*), 2.30 p.m.; Canada, America, etc. Europe *via* Victoria, B.C. and *via* Siberia (*President Madison*), 5 p.m.

Wednesday.

Fanling Hunt: Meet at Mr. Souza's Bungalow, 2.45 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m. Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Café Regent, 5—6.30 p.m.
Hockey: Club *v.* Navy (Sim Shield).
Annual General Meeting of the Navy League (Hong Kong Branch), Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Board Room, 5.30 p.m.
"Cheer O" Y.M.C.A.: Whist Drive, 7.30 p.m.
Café Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.
St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club Dance, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8.45 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Gaucho."
World Theatre: "Irresistible Lover."
Star Theatre: "The Eagle."
The Banvard Musical Company present: "Queen High," Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Thursday.

Belgenland (Round World Tourist Liner) due.
Cathedral Women's Workers' Guild: Address by Rev. G. H. Hewitt, on "The Church of England in the 19th Century," 10 a.m.; Committee meeting, 10.30 a.m. (Both meetings at St. John's Cathedral Hall).
Annual Ordinary Meeting Humphrey's Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel, 11 a.m.
40th Ordinary General Meeting of the Hong Kong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., Jardine, Matheson's Board Room, 12.30 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30—6.30 p.m.; Café Regent, 5—6.30 p.m.
Helena May Musicale: "Music of Childhood," 5.30 p.m.
"Cheer O" Y.M.C.A.: Impromptu Dance, 7.30 p.m.
Café Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Gaucho."
World Theatre: "Blarney."
Star Theatre: "The Man Upstairs."
The Banvard Musical Company present "Queen High," Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Friday.

Empress of Australia (Round World Tourist Liner) due.
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FRENCH CURRENCY.

M. POINCARE'S IMPORTANT SPEECH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, Feb. 3rd.

M. Poincare, continuing his speech on the finances of the country this morning, addressed the Chamber for three hours and has not finished yet.

M. Poincare dwelt on the difficulties connected with that burning question, stabilisation, and said that the hour for legal stabilisation has not yet struck.

When it did strike, he announced, the Government would waste no time in submitting a Bill to Parliament.

The speech tended to confirm the belief that stabilisation will be effected, at the present rate, after the elections.

Foreign Policy.

PARIS, Feb. 3rd.

M. Briand, the Foreign Minister, speaking in the Senate, gave a lengthy review of foreign affairs, declaring that Locarno was not yet a conjuror's hat from which one could produce anything and declared that the evacuation of the Rhineland was not a question for France alone to decide. He recalled what he told Herr Stresemann at Thoiry: "If you want to hasten evacuation you must carry out disarmament and consider how to advance the reparations payment."

M. Briand opposed the rupture of relations with the Soviets but demanded diplomatic correctitude. He anticipated the disappearance of the last obstacle to Franco-Italian friendship and finally prophesied that 1928 would not close without the grave questions of war debts and reparations being settled in such a way as to consolidate hopes of a general peace.

The Senate voted by a show of hands on the motion approving M. Briand's policy.

LANCASHIRE'S COTTON INDUSTRY.

CONFERENCE ENDS IN DEADLOCK.

STRIKE POSSIBLE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 3rd.

The crisis in the cotton industry was the subject of further conferences in Manchester to-day.

Representatives of the Operatives' Unions stated that their attitude was unchanged.

LATER.

The Cotton Conference in Manchester has broken down, there being a complete deadlock with regard to hours and wages.

Serious Position.

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The position in the cotton industry is most serious. The next step rests with the employers, but a ballot by either side would possibly decide whether the employers are to enforce the new wages and hours or whether the operatives will strike.

The operatives are expected to consult the Trades Union Council.

RAID ON SINGAPORE COMMUNISTS.

FIVE CHINESE ARRESTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SINGAPORE, Feb. 3rd.

The police suddenly raided the headquarters of a suspected Communist organisation to-day, and arrested four Chinese men and one woman. It has been proved that the place raided was the source of the dissemination of much Bolshevik propaganda to the East Indies.

A large quantity of Communist literature fell into the hands of the police.

PRESIDENT COSGRAVE.

RETURNING TO IRELAND.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 3rd.

The President of the Free State Dail, Mr. Cosgrave, left New York by the s.s. *Olympic* early this morning, on his return to Ireland, after a brief visit to the United States and Canada.

RESIGNATION OF GREEK CABINET.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ATHENS, Feb. 3rd.

The Government has resigned after disagreement in the Cabinet with regard to a road-building contract.

BRITISH TRADE PROSPECTS.

ANOTHER BANKER'S ENDORSEMENT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 3rd.

Sir Austin Harris, presiding at the annual meeting of Lloyds Bank, endorsed the opinions which have been expressed by the Chairmen of other big London Banks regarding the encouraging trade prospects.

He added: "Two features of a very gratifying nature stand out as beacons of encouragement and hope." One, he said, is the marked decrease in the number of unemployed, and the other is the comparative freedom of the past twelve months from serious labour disputes and strikes. I think it is becoming recognised that a greater feeling of mutual confidence is growing between employers and employed to the great advantage and benefit of both.

The very encouraging spirit of conciliation and goodwill on the part of some of the prominent leaders of trade unions has been evidenced by their speeches, and I believe we discern a serious desire on the part of responsible men to do everything possible to avoid the disastrous recourse to a strike.

NO GENERAL ELECTION THIS YEAR.

WAITING FOR THE NEW VOTERS.

NO INCOME TAX REDUCTION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 3rd.

Mr. Winston Churchill, in the course of a speech in Birmingham, said there could be no General Election in 1928. The Bill enfranchising women on the same basis as men must first be enacted, and the new voters registered. This would carry them into the spring or summer of 1929.

Mr. Churchill indicated that there would be no reduction in the Income Tax in the forthcoming Budget, but he believed yearly economies in the fighting services were possible, subject to the maintenance of minimum security for Britain and the Empire.

NORWAY'S LABOUR GOVERNMENT.

DEFENCE FORCES REDUCED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

OSLO, Feb. 3rd.

The new Labour Government has signalised its advent by submitting to the Storting, the Norwegian Parliament, Bills cancelling military training in 1928, restricting naval training, reducing the Army Estimates by 4,500,000 kroner, and the Navy Estimates by over 730,000 kroner.

It has also withdrawn the Bill put through by the previous Government providing for the construction of a new destroyer.

MARITIME LABOUR.

ANOTHER INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, Feb. 3rd.

The Executive Council of the International Labour Office has passed a resolution in favour of holding an International Maritime Labour Conference immediately after the ordinary Labour Conference next year.

The motion was supported by the Labour group, but was opposed by the Executive of the Labour Office and also by Mr. Forbes Watson, the British employers' delegate.

MR. AMERY LEAVES FOR ENGLAND.

COMPLETES A LONG TOUR.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 3rd.

Having completed his great tour of the Dominions, the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Amery, accompanied by Mrs. Amery, left New Brunswick last night for England.

In a final speech at Saint John's, Mr. Amery said it had been a great inspiration to travel through so many countries each with its individual history, life and experiences, and each confident of a great future. He expressed the opinion that ultimate perfect unity of the Empire rested not upon governments but on the co-operation of various countries with each other with their sense of loyalty each to the other as comrades under the same King and as part of the same Empire.

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Do., C.	£14 nom.
P. & O. Bank	£10 nom.
East Asia Bank	$73½ buy.
Canton Insurance	$605 buy.
Union Insurance	$90 buy., 301 sa.
North China Ins.	Tls. 145 nom.
Yangtsze Insurance	M. $46½ buy.
China Underwriters	$2.20 buy., 2.20½ sa.
China Fire Insurance	$215 nom.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	$680 nom.
Douglases	$41½ buy.
Steamboats	$20½ buy.
H.K. Tugs	$23 buy., 2.90 sel.
Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	$36 nom.
Do. (Def.)	$40 nom.
Shell Transports	55/- nom.
Waterboats	$18½ buy.
Benguets	$2½ buy.
Katau Mining Ad.	64/- buy.
Langkats (combined)	Tls. 18½ buy.
Do. (single)	Tls. 10 buy.
S'hai. Explorations	Tls. 2.85 buy.
Shanghai Loans	Tls. 6.10 buy.
Raubs	$4½ nom.
Tronoh Mines	£17/6 buy.
H.K. & K. Wharfs	$135 buy., 136/137 sa.
H.K. & W. Docks	$46 buy.
China Providents	16.30 buy., 6½ sel., 6.35/.40 sa.
Hongkews	Tls. 163 buy.
New Engineerings	Tls. 5 nom.
Shanghai Docks	Tls. 97 buy.
Ewo Cottons	Tls. 7.90 sel.
Orientals	Tls. 2 buy.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	Tls. 48 buy.
Do. (new)	Tls. 22½ buy.
H.K. & S. Hotels	$8½ buy., 8.40 sel.
H.K. Lands	$65½ buy.
Shanghai Lands	Tls. 133 buy.
Humphreys Estates	$15½ buy.
Hong Kong Realties	$8½ buy., 8.80 sa.
H.K. Territorials	$1½ nom.
H.K. Tramways	$26.60 buy., 27 sel. & sa.
Peak Trams (old)	$14 nom.
Do. (new)	$6½ nom.
Star Ferries	$87 buy. & sa.
China Lights (comb.)	$17½ buy., 17½ sa.
Do. (old)	$13 buy.
Do. (new)	$9½ buy.
H.K Electrics	$74 sel.
Macao Electrics	$64 buy.
Telephones	$4.55 nom.
China Buses	Tls. 6½ nom.
Singapore Tractions	11/9 nom.
China Sugars	$9 buy., 9½ sa.
Malabon Sugars	$27½ nom.
Canton Ices	$3½ buy.
Cements (combined)	$11½ buy., 11.85 sel., 11.55/.80 sa.
Do. (old)	$10 nom.
Do. (new)	$1½ buy.
H.K. Ropes (old)	$9½ buy.
Do. (new)	$3½ buy.
United Asbestos	$10 sel.
Dairy Farms	$20½ buy., 21½ sel., 19½/21½ sa.
Watsons	$12½ buy., 12½ sa.
Def. A Wings	$8 sel.
Lane Crawfords	$3.10 sel.
Mackintoshs	$22 sel.
Sinceres	$9 nom.
Wm. Powells	$5 nom.
H.K. Amusements	$27 buy.
H.K. Constructions	$1½ nom.
B'que. Indus. G. Bonds	60% buy.
H.K. Govt. Loans	5% prem. buy.

buy.—buyers; sel.—sellers; sa.—sales; nom.—nominal

POST-WAR "SLACKNESS."

LORD JELLICOE AND TEAM WORK.

Earl Jellicoe, distributing prizes at the Cliff School, Shanklin, Isle of Wight, said the influence of team work was proved in the Great War. There were people who said that since the war we were losing our grit and determination; that we had not the same enterprise as in the days gone by. He felt there was, perhaps, since the war a certain sign of slackness. The war brought out the best that was in the British Empire, and bad as the war was, sooner than see these good qualities go under he would rather see another war. Since the conclusion of the war there was perhaps a tendency on the part of British people to think of themselves and not of the British Empire as a whole. He appealed to the boys never to forget the qualities which had made the Empire what it was.

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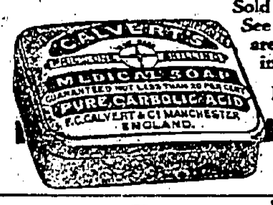
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Amsterdam	12.09½
Stockholm	18.14
Vienna	34.575
Madrid	28.593
Bucharest	792½
Bombay	1/6
Brussels	34.98
Milan	92.05
Copenhagen	18.20
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Lisbon	2.11/32
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DR. T. P. WOO'S BANKRUPTCY.

SCATHING COMMENT ON A CREDITOR'S LETTER.

DIFFICULTIES CAUSED BY SPECULATING.

At the Bankruptcy Court on Saturday morning His Lordship the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) made strong comment on the conduct of Mr. J. M. Xavier, a creditor, in respect of the bankruptcy of Dr. T. P. Woo, whose public examination was being held. His Lordship told Mr. Xavier that his conduct had been disgraceful, and although it was not legal blackmail, it was conduct of the most reprehensible and improper character.

Before Mr. E. L. Agassiz (the Official Receiver) proceeded with the public examination of Dr. Woo, he informed His Lordship that he wished to bring to his notice certain facts. A meeting of creditors was held, he said, on January 21st, at which practically all the creditors were present, among them a Mr. J. M. Xavier, whose claims amounted to a large sum, namely $33,000.

A scheme for composition was discussed and the original proposal was put to the meeting, and lost, Mr. Xavier voting against it. The proposal was then amended, the final proposal being for the payment of a composition of ten per cent. in cash and to this Mr. Xavier assented. The creditors desired to arrange a composition on this basis but not under the supervision of the Bankruptcy Court, the idea being, if possible, to avoid public examination which would be detrimental to Dr. Woo as a professional man.

Certain facts had properly been brought to his notice by the firm of Messrs. Lee and Russ (Mr. Russ was present on behalf of debtor). In spite of Mr. Xavier having agreed to the composition he had, if the statements made to the Official Receiver were correct and if the evidence available were correct, gone behind the backs of all the other creditors and had been pressing the debtor to pay him, by a secret arrangement, whereby he (Mr. Xavier) would receive sixty per cent. whereas the remainder of the creditors would only receive ten per cent.

Threatened With Imprisonment.

The Official Receiver referred to a letter which Mr. Russ could state was in Mr. Xavier's handwriting in which Mr. Xavier stated that unless the debtor agreed to pay him sixty per cent. he (Mr. Xavier) would not agree to the composition and would endeavour to have debtor sent to gaol.

Whether or not this amounted to contempt of Court he (Mr. Agassiz) submitted that it was a most improper and unjust proceeding and he considered it was his duty to bring the facts before His Lordship before proceeding with the public examination.

His Lordship remarked that the Official Receiver was perfectly right in so doing. It appeared to be an attempt at blackmail and was a most disgraceful procedure.

His Lordship called on Mr. Xavier for an explanation.

Mr. Xavier admitted that the letter was written by him and that he had originally assented to the composition but stated that he approached the Official Receiver subsequently and told him he could not assent. He received a letter from Lee and Russ on January 28th calling a meeting of the creditors and asking him to attend. He did not attend but that night Mr. Russ's clerk, debtor himself and another creditor called at his house and asked him to agree to a scheme for the payment of a dividend of ten per cent. as full settlement, certain dates being given for instalments and certain prominent Chinese gentlemen's names being given as guarantors for the payment of the instalments. A resolution embodying these terms had already been agreed to by other creditors.

His Lordship interposed and commented to Mr. Xavier that he was demanding an explanation as to why, after having agreed to the composition, he went behind the backs of all the other creditors and tried to get special terms for himself.

Mr. Xavier replied that he had afterwards told the Official Receiver he would not accept the scheme.

His Lordship reminded Mr. Xavier that he had agreed at the meeting and, after further hesitancy on the part of Mr. Xavier, His Lordship made the following comment:—

"The fact of the matter is that you have behaved very disgracefully indeed, trying to get an advantage over the rest of the creditors after having agreed to accept composition on the lines proposed. I think the less you say about the matter the better. It is not legal blackmail, but it is conduct of the most reprehensible and most improper character and you had better be careful. You can sit down now. I think I have heard enough."

Mr. Xavier then attempted to open a conversation with a Press representative who was reporting the case, asking that His Lordship's comment be omitted from the Press report.

His Lordship noticed this and remarked "It is no use you trying to 'square' the Press, Mr. Xavier, although I can quite understand your feelings of anxiety about what I have said and what has been disclosed by the Official Receiver receiving publicity."

The Public Examination.

The Official Receiver opened the public examination of Dr. Woo, M.B. Sc., who said that he qualified as a medical practitioner in 1915. He was 46 years of age and received training at Edinburgh University which he entered in 1910, remaining there for five years.

He was born in Hong Kong, and educated at the Diocesan School, joining the staff of St. Stephen's College as a teacher. He also received medical training at the Medical College, this being before the University was built and at an organisation under the Alice Memorial Hospital.

After qualifying at Edinburgh he went to London and joined the staff of Brompton Hospital and in 1916 he went over to France with the St. John's Ambulance organisation. On his return to England he joined the Ipswich General Hospital and remained there until 1918 when he returned to Hong Kong and joined Dr. Lee as an assistant. When Dr. Lee left Hong Kong in 1923 he took over the management of the firm until 1925 when Dr. Lee returned.

Answering the Official Receiver, debtor said that he had never been in partnership with Dr. Lee. He was always his assistant. He had been asked to join as partner with him but had never actually done so.

His attention being drawn to certain wording in his statement of affairs as to "my monthly income from my firm would be $700," debtor said that they always talked about the firm as Lee and Woo, but it was not so really. Debtor was only an assistant. There was actually no firm although they had talked about a possible partnership.

The Official Receiver said that the note-paper was headed "Lee and Woo" and there was a joint bank account in the two names at the Bank of Canton.

Debtor said that this was for convenience sake. He had no authority to draw any cheque on that account and in fact had never drawn a cheque on that joint account which was now closed. Whilst Dr. Lee was away debtor was authorised by him to sign in his absence from the Colony.

In reply to questions by the Official Receiver debtor said that his father was a Hong Kong man. He died here and left no property of any kind. Debtor was able to go to Edinburgh University through winning a Canton Government scholarship of $2,000 for five years.

His Lordship: You must have been a wealthy man at Edinburgh as there are not many with $2,000 there.

Debtor further said that he had been married for twenty-six years and had ten children. He had a house in Hong Kong, but this was mortgaged for $42,000. There might be a slight surplus on that mortgage. He had no property of any nature other than that. Two of his sons were educated in England, one in London University (he had since returned) and the other was stilll studying industrial chemistry at Leeds.

Asked how he was able to keep the son at London University from 1923 onwards, debtor replied that he was getting a better income from his practice. This son he had taken away as he could no longer afford to keep him in England. The son at Leeds he was able to keep there thanks to a loan from a cousin of his wife's in London. He was completing his course within six months.

Questioned as to his earnings while Dr. Lee was away, debtor stated that the takings were about $3,000 a month. The arrangement was that Dr. Lee was paid $400 a month and debtor took the rest, after paying expenses. He averaged between $1,500 and $2,000 a month *at that time.*

The Liabilities.

The whole of his liabilities, which amounted to about $90,000, were incurred through share transactions. He started speculating in shares at the end of 1923, making a little at first but losing very heavily in the 1925 slump. His bankruptcy was due solely to gambling in shares.

Asked what dividend he could pay, debtor stated that out of his $700 a month, allowing for family and other expenses, he thought he could pay about $200.

The Official Receiver then said that he had nothing further to ask debtor.

Mr. Xavier Questions Debtor.

Mr. Xavier said that he had one or two things to ask debtor.

In reply to Mr. Xavier, debtor admitted that if he became a partner with Dr. Lee he would earn more money. But a certain amount would have to be paid for the partnership. It was debtor's honest intention to pay as much as possible.

Mr. Xavier: But you say you don't intend to pay.

His Lordship: He doesn't say so.

Mr. Xavier put it to debtor that he had told him (Mr. Xavier) personally that he was a partner in the firm of Lee and Woo.

Debtor denied this.

Mr. Xavier put it to witness that he had told others that he was a partner.

Debtor denied this.

Mr. Xavier put it to debtor that he had told him (Mr. Xavier) that his income since Dr. Lee's return was between $1,800 and $2,000.

Debtor denied this and said that he received $700 a month. Of this, in addition to family expenses, about $200 went in interest on mortgage.

At this stage, Mr. Xavier again referred to the question of the letter which had led to the Chief Justice's censure, maintaining that although he had agreed to the scheme of composition at the meeting he had afterwards told the Official Receiver he could not agree to it.

The Official Receiver stated that Mr. Xavier did visit him but all he said was that he would oppose the composition scheme at the confirmatory meeting.

His Lordship commented that Mr. Xavier had better leave the matter alone. It was quite clear that he had agreed and then attempted to get 60 per cent.

The public examination then closed and the court adjourned *sine die.*

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

DEBT OF $280,000.

"LING NAM" CASE A HARD ONE.

At the Bankruptcy Court on Saturday morning, before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan), the public examination was concluded of Chan Tse Cheuk, whose liabilities are very heavy. A sum of $280,000 is stated to be due to the debtor's estate from a former co-partner in the now defunct Wing Kee ginseng firm, in which debtor had been interested.

The Official Receiver (Mr. E. L. Agassiz) said that the position was that the sum of $350,000 was advanced in a lump sum to Tse Kwan Luk, a partner in the firm. Subsequently, other advances were made. The partners in the Wing Kee firm decided that, of that account, debtor was to be responsible for $280,000 in satisfaction of that liability. The partners of the Wing Kee took Tse Kwan Luk's share and profits due to him and also took over the debtor's shares. The arrangement was that debtor should recover from Tse Kwan Luk as much as he could for himself. Debtor regarded Tse Kwan Luk as being indebted to him for that amount and that was why he included this debt in his statement of affairs as a debt of his (debtor's).

Debtor was examined as to Tse Kwan Luk's interests in other business and denied knowledge of certain alleged interests put to him by the Official Receiver.

The Official Receiver said that debtor had been acquainted with Tse Kwan Luk very well over a period of years but appeared to know little of his affairs.

Debtor admitted that certain of his losses in bankruptcy were in respect of a certain property mortgage to Messrs. Scott & Co. The losses were incurred by his standing security.

After further questions, the public examination was closed.

A HARD CASE.

An order for adjudication was granted on the application of the Official Receiver in respect of Tsang Kaam Chuen, formerly compradore to the s.s. *Ling Nam.*

At the public examination His Lordship expressed the opinion that it was a hard case. Debtor had served on two trips of seven months each on the *Ling Nam* to South Africa. On the second he had not been paid by the owners for food, etc., supplied. The ship was seized and sold on returning here and a large amount owing to him, about $32,000, had not been paid.

At Saturday's hearing, the Official Receiver said that debtor had paid over the sum of $760.

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The President of the Club, Mr. E. V. M. R. de Souza, received His Excellency and in his address of welcome gave an interesting review of the history of the Club. The sympathetic attitude of the Government towards their efforts to provide a site for sporting facilities was referred to and a warm tribute was paid to the fairness and efficiency of the Government of the Colony.

His Excellency described the Portuguese community as a valuable element in the life of the Colony, and said that the development of the Club de Recreio, from small beginnings, was symbolic of the growth of Kowloon, since his own knowledge of it, from a settlement "like Repulse Bay" to a great city rivalling Victoria on the other side of the Harbour.

There was a representative gathering at the formal opening of the new club house, the courtyard and the paths leading from Gascoigne Road being bedecked with flags.

His Excellency arrived at half past three accompanied by his A.D.C., Capt. Whyte, Mr. Justice J. R. Wood and Mrs. Wood, and the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy and Mrs. Creasy. Sir Cecil was met at the main entrance by Mr. E. V. M. R. de Souza (President) and other members of the Committee.

Gathered on the lawn were His Lordship Bishop H. Valtorta, Mr. A. L. d'Albuquerque e Castro, Consul-General for Portugal, Mme. and Mlle. Castro, members of the Consular Body, Lieut. Abreu, representing H.E. the Governor of Macao, Mr. F. P. de V. Soares, representing the Municipal Council and the people of Macao, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Chev. J. M. Alves, Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Mr. W. Schofield and many others.

The Philharmonic Orchestra, under the able direction of Mr. Pirina, played "God Save the King," after which a key to the new club was handed to His Excellency with which the new building was opened.

Inside The Main Hall.

The visitors then entered the main hall and while Sir Cecil was taken over the building, the Philharmonic Orchestra played selections.

THE PRESIDENT'S WELCOME.

The President of the Club, Mr. E. V. M. R. de Souza, then gave an interesting review of the growth of the Club. He said: We are assembled to-day under the roof of an institution which had a very humble and somewhat unorthodox beginning. Strange though it may seem to you, we began as a Co-operative Savings Society with only 16 members some 23 years ago, but we did so well that 15 months thereafter we were able to return the capital subscribed and it was then decided to wind up the Co-operative Society and apply the accrued profits and the furniture towards the formation of a Club properly constituted, and the name chosen for it was "Club de Recreio" which in English means "Recreation Club." The membership then registered was 36 and with the prospect of more candidates coming in we looked around for a suitable piece of ground for our Club House and one or two tennis courts. We were extremely fortunate to obtain on lease from the Spanish Dominican Procuration for our purposes a vacant piece of land, splendidly situated at the corner of Kimberley and Nathan Roads.

Government's Sympathy.

Our membership increased as more Portuguese families moved over from Hong Kong to the Peninsula and it became evident that the time had arrived to make provision for the expansion that was beginning to make itself felt. Nine years ago, our late lamented President, Mr. E. J. Noronha, approached the Government of this Colony and laid before it the urgent need of recreational facilities for the members of this Club. I need hardly state that the Government was most sympathetic and, through our former Colonial Secretary, Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, immediately offered us the choice of several sites in Kowloon but none was found to be suitable for the purpose, and we had to be content with the promise that as soon as any convenient site was available the Government would bear us in mind. When it was decided in 1922 on the recommendation of the Town Planning Committee to turn King's Park into recreation grounds, the Government, true to its promise, offered us the choice of a site thereon for our Club House and recreation ground, a similar offer being made to four other Clubs which together with ourselves were the only Clubs existing in Kowloon at the time. We chose this site and the Government very kindly laid it out according to our requirements.

The site on which this building stands and the beautiful and extensive grounds adjourning it were placed at our disposal just a few days before the departure of your Excellency's predecessor.

Good Effect On Younger Generation.

To-day the occasion has presented itself to us to show in a public manner our gratitude and deep appreciation of the kindness and liberal mindedness of the Government of Hong Kong in allocating these grounds to us. The value of these grounds cannot be computed only in dollars and cents. If we are to recognise the truth of the saying "*Mens Sana in Corpore Sano*," and I am sure no one contests it, these grounds are of considerably greater value to us than their monetary value. We have had these grounds for only two years, a comparatively short period and we can already see their incalculable value in the improved physique of our younger members. This is an undoubtable fact which has arrested the attention of every member of our community.

Five Nations At King's Park.

These reasons are more than sufficient to compel our gratitude, but, what is it that compels our admiration? It is the solicitude of the Government of Hong Kong for the welfare and contentment of the inhabitants of all races of this Colony. Confining myself to King's Park alone we have here five Clubs of alien nationalities with separate recreation grounds placed at their disposal by the Government of Hong Kong for their sole use and delectation. One cannot help admiring such a liberal policy and friendly gesture on the part of the Government of Hong Kong. This policy is unique and I believe has no rival in any other country, and if it is coupled with the well-known fact that the administration of justice in this Colony is above reproach and that equal opportunities in business are offered to everyone irrespective of nationality, one no longer wonders why the population of Hong Kong increases every day.

Gratitude.

By consenting to formally open our Club House to-day your Excellency has not only conferred upon us a signal honour, but has added brilliancy to the ceremony and has thereby given a fresh proof of the kindly interest you take in the affairs of our community. To your Excellency we are indebted for the special terms of tenure of these grounds and for permission to erect this building. On behalf of the members of this Club I beg to respectfully tender to Your Excellency and the Government of Hong Kong our heartfelt thanks for so many acts of kindness to us, the remembrance of which will forever be engrived in our hearts.

We very much regret the absence of His Excellency the Governor of Macao, Senor Tamanini Barbosa who is unable to be present. His Excellency has written to say how much he regrets his inability to participate in this function. He has, however, sent his Aide-de-Camp, Lieut. Abreu, to convey to us his best wishes for the prosperity of the Club de Recreio, and I take this opportunity to ask Lieut. Abreu to convey to His Excellency the expression of our sincere thanks and our great feeling of disappointment at his inability to honour us with his presence on this auspicious occasion.

We are also very sorry that Lady Clementi is not well enough to do us the honour of being present to-day. We rejoice however to hear that she is making good progress towards complete recovery from her recent illness and I would ask Your Excellency to kindly convey to her our most sincere wishes for a speedy restoration to perfect health.

Thanks And Welcome.

On behalf of the members of this Club I wish also to extend a very cordial welcome to all our other guests and to thank them very sincerely for the honour they have done us by being present at this ceremony and taking part with us in our rejoicings.

I wish also to extend a hearty welcome to Mr. F. P. de V. Soares who is here to-day as the representatives of the Municipal Council and the People of Macao.

I would be failing in my duties were I to omit to convey the very sincere thanks and deep appreciation of every member of this Club to those who have so kindly and willingly assisted us in the construction of this building.

Our special thanks are due to our architects, Messrs. Raven & Basto, but more especially to Mr. Basto who was the architect responsible for the plans. Without claiming any great architectural effects, he has nevertheless instilled beauty into this building by the very simplicity of its internal features.

Similar thanks are due to the Public Works Department. From the Chief Executive and every other member of this Department we have received nothing but kindness and every possible assistance.

A Miniature Key.

I also wish to express our indebtedness to the contractor Mr. Tak Lee, to Messrs. C. E. Warren & Co., Ltd., for the sanitary arrangements and to Messrs. William C. Jack & Co., Ltd., for the electrical installation. And last, but not least, I wish to say how thankful we are to our Bankers, the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China, Ltd.

It now remains for me to ask Your Excellency to accept this key, which is a miniature replica of the one with which you so kindly opened this building, as a memento of this occasion, accompanied with our most sincere wish for your success and prosperity.

"A VALUABLE ELEMENT."

SIR CECIL CLEMENTI'S SPEECH.

H.E. Sir Cecil Clementi paid a signal tribute to the Portuguese community in his speech. He said: It has been a great pleasure to me this afternoon to open the new premises of the Club de Recreio. The event is another landmark in the development of Kowloon. Many years ago I was myself a resident of Kowloon, where I lived in Lyemoon Villas. In those days Kowloon was as much a rural district as Repulse Bay or Shek O are now. But to-day Kowloon is a spacious city, which bids fair soon to outrival the City of Victoria on the southern side of the harbour. The growth of Kowloon is well illustrated by the growth of the Club de Recreio, which began in a small way in 1905 with 19 members; but in 15 months the membership of the Club had doubled, and it now has 220 members. This increase is chiefly due to the fact that the majority of this Colony's Portuguese community now resides, not in Hong Kong, but in Kowloon. There are good reasons why the other communities should follow suit.

The Portuguese community is a most valuable element in the population of this Colony; and we in Hong Kong do well to remember that Portugal was the first of the Western maritime Powers to open direct relations with China. In 1517 Fernao Perez de Andrade cast anchor off St. John's Island near the West River delta and thence proceeded to Canton. In 1557 the first Portuguese settlement was made on the island of Amakau, the port of the goddess Ama, now called Macao: and three centuries later, in August 1839, it was from Macao that the small British community, which had been driven out of Canton in May of that year, was led by Captain Elliot to Hong Kong.

Ever since then there have been intimate and friendly relations between Macao and Hong Kong, and there has been a steady increase in the number of the Portuguese who have made Hong Kong their home. I am very glad that the enterprise of the Portuguese, here resident, has resulted in the erection of this fine Club house and it has been a pleasure to the Hong Kong Government to allot a portion of King's Park in Kowloon for the Club's use. I wish the Club de Recreio every happiness and success.

THE BUILDING.

A Porte-cochere is provided at the entrance, and this leads on to the Vestibule and Hall. On each side of the hall are grouped the sports rooms for men and women respectively approached by a well lit corridor. These rooms comprise the changing rooms, shower baths, lavatories and sanitary conveniences. Steel lockers will be provided for the dressing rooms. An office conveniently situated near the hall is provided for the Secretary. Proceeding direct from the hall, one enters through a wide doorway into the club room or entertainment hall which forms the dominating factor of the plan. On the right of the spacious club room is the billiard room and on the left the card room both separated from the club room, only by a pair of Doric columns, the whole giving a very happy effect. On special occasions these rooms may be thrown into one, for plays, dances, concerts, lectures and other purposes, a platform being provided in the card room to form a stage when required. These rooms are well lighted and ventilated, cross ventilation being obtained by windows fixed between the eaves of the main roof and verandah and hall flat roofs.

The ceiling which is of plaster is given a panelled effect by means of narrow stained teak fillets, the tie beams of the roof trusses being exposed, the whole effect producing a rich contrast with the walls and floor below. The treatment for the columns, plasters, cornices, architraves and wall panels have been adapted from the Neo-Grec style.

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The verandah (60 ft. long by 11 ft. wide) which extends along the whole length of the north side of the club room is entered through five French casement doors. The verandah will be used for refreshment and for watching cricket or other games, etc. The bar is near the verandah card room, and club room. Externally the chief architectural interest is the elevation looking on to the cricket ground. The columned-verandah approached by a wide flight of steps handled simply and broadly lends dignity to the facade. The composition of the roof is well conceived to give strength to the sky line and this feature is an important element in the success of the design. The turret, the crowning feature of the composition expresses its purpose in a delightful manner, it gives just the correct emphasis required on the subject and its outline is in harmony with the rest of the architecture. The caretakers' apartments, kitchen, and store room, conveniently arranged to suit the site and building, help to produce in the design, a low spreading effect. The roof covering of red tiles form a pleasant contrast with the rough cast walls the whole blending in a harmonious manner with the surrounding rich greens of Nature.

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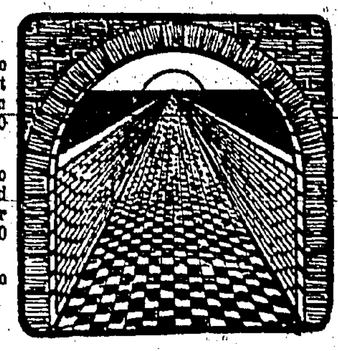
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BANK NOTES IN CIRCULATION.

FIGURES FOR JANUARY.

The returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hong Kong, during the month ended January 31st, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks, are as follows:—

Banks.	Average Amount.	Specie in Reserve.
Chartered Bank	$17,090,412	$5,800,000*
Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank	54,847,870	34,000,000†
Mercantile Bank	1,919,842	660,000§
Total ...	$74,458,124	$40,460,000

* In addition Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £1,268,300.

† In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and Straits Government valued at £3,287,205.

§ In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £180,000.

COMMISSION OF RECONSTRUCTION.

SET UP BY CANTON GOVERNMENT.

TERMS OF REFERENCE.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Political Council in Canton has set up a Commission of Reconstruction to recommend measures to the Council for the rehabilitation of Canton. This is the first real move in this matter made by the Government, and if the body appointed sets about its task properly it should be able to accomplish work of vital importance to the City.

At present there is not much public confidence in the Government's move, the general idea being that the new Commission will merely find well paid posts for a number of officials of all grades, and that after a great deal of "investigation" and many "reports" nothing will be done. If the Commission and the Government are in earnest they will, however, soon overcome this initial doubtfulness.

WHAT THE COMMISSION IS TO DO.

No names have as yet been published but the terms of reference with regard to the nature and scope of the commission's work were passed at the Council's 77th meetings and are (in summarised form) as follows:—

The Political Council in Canton, in order to have at its disposal all necessary information for drawing up measures for reconstruction will appoint a Commission on Reconstruction. This Commission will be charged with making expert and professional investigation with a view to recommending reform needed at the present.

The Commission on Reconstruction is to function under the direction and by authority of the Political Council.

All resolutions, and recommendations of the Commission shall be subject to the approval of the Political Council.

The Commission will have three to five standing members appointed by the Political Council, the Chairman of the Political Council being a member of the standing committee *ex-officio*. Experts and advisers may be called in to help the Commission and act as temporary members

Qualifications Of Members.

To be eligible for membership of the Commission one must have: (1) Qualified in political science; (2) Made a special study of reconstruction work and published books and memoranda, etc., on the subject; (3) Had special experience of reconstruction work; (4) Graduated at a higher school and the candidates must show that they have devoted time and study to some particular subject hearing upon one or other aspect of this work.

The Staff.

The staff shall consist of a general secretary and other secretaries and clerks to assist the standing members of the Commission with correspondence, accounts, miscellaneous affairs, investigation, publication, and circulation of memoranda.

The Commission shall present definite proposals of Programme of Reconstruction, Investigation and Statistics, Legal and Law Reform, Special Study and Publications, Translations, and on any special subjects likely to come up from time to time.

Sub-Committees.

The Commission shall have special groups, or sub-committees on Administration, Finance, Communications, Education, Agriculture and Labour, Public Welfare, and Law Reform.

The Committee on Administrative Reform will study local government, municipal and police administration, people's volunteers and measures to clear the inland towns of brigands and pirates, official qualifications and means to prevent corruption while in office.

The Committee on Finance is expected to make recommendations on the monetary standard, currency reform, budgets for Government

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departments, tax reform or improvements, land rentals and administration, and statistics.

The Committee of Communications is to introduce measures to regulate and improve water and land traffics, commercial aviation, and other allied subjects.

The Committee on Education is to draw up an educational policy, with measures for school and social education. They are also to consider the subjects of text-books and publications.

The Committee of Agriculture and Labour is to draw up measures for improving the livelihood and welfare of farmers and workers, the development of agriculture, the improvement of water ways, forestry, mines, and other industries.

The Committee on Public Welfare is to study and report upon public health, care of aged and infants, and relief work for defectives.

Procedure.

The Commission will meet at least once a week or oftener subject to the needs of the occasion, but the Committees will arrange their own meetings.

The Committees and the Commission will make their own rules and regulations for procedure and business.

VIEWS FROM SHAMEEN.

AEROPLANES FOR LI TSAI HSIN.

NO OFFICIAL BASIS FOR THE REPORT.

[FROM A SHAMEEN CORRESPONDENT.]

SHAMEEN, February 4th.

The holidays are over and all is very quiet in the City. Very few people are to be seen in the streets after dusk and Shaki is practically deserted at night-fall.

On Shameen it is the same. Everything is quiet—rather too quiet. The usual New Year's bustle of business, with Chinese going to and fro on commercial transactions, is not in evidence. The effect of trade tyranny and the destruction of property is being felt very severely and to add to the difficulties there is no paper currency worth while speaking about.

We trust, however, that the worst is over and that matters will steadily improve from now forward.

The Chinese officials appear to be very reasonable in their attitude and have established friendly relationship with the Foreign Consuls. They are prompt in their replies to any questions asked of them.

In the *Daily Press* on Saturday a *Reuter* telegram from Shanghai announced that, according to reports from Canton, fourteen aeroplanes of French manufacture were being sent to General Li Tsai Hsin. I have made careful enquiries in official quarters about these aeroplanes and no one knows anything about them. I think you may take it that the report is untrue.

MURDERED FRENCH PRIEST.

A CORRECTION.

Father P. Julliotte, Superior of the Catholic Mission of Hoihow, writes to correct an error in our account of the recent murder of one of their members—his name had appeared as being the victim. Father Julliotte states:—

Father Alexander Nogue was the victim in the circumstances you relate and not I, unfortunately, instead of him.

"SAN NAM HOI" PIRACY ECHO.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

PAKHOI, Feb. 3rd.

Military authorities have raided the Seamen's Union Headquarters to-day, and have made twenty arrests. The prisoners are being taken to Kongmoon for trial before the Military Court.

It is rumoured that six of these men were concerned in the *San Nam Hoi* piracy.

UNEASINESS AT SWATOW.

REPORTED "RED" RISING IN CHAOYANG.

WONG SHIU HUNG LEAVES FOR CHAOCHOWFU.

OBSCURE POLITICAL SITUATION.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

SWATOW, February 4th.

There is a report, unconfirmed yet, there there has been a "Red" rising in Chaoyang and that the steam launch jetty and buildings have been burnt out. It is said that the intention of the Chaoyang "Reds" is to join up with a large force of "Reds" which is now on its way from Hui Lai. This latter force has for some weeks been making its way up from the Hailokhong district, looting, burning villages and torturing and massacring the inhabitants along the whole route. Yesterday a deputation of local merchants interested in Chaoyang endeavoured to persuade Wong Shiu Hung to send troops to Chaoyang to stop the rot, but he refused to do so and to-day we learn that he and his troops have departed towards Chaochowfu and Jinopheng.

It appears that the local Kuomintang did not favour Canton's new appointee to Swatow, Wong Shiu Hung, and his arrival was consequently quiet and there were no celebrations. To-day Tang Meng Khu (Cheng Ming Shu) has returned from some of his exploits upcountry and the local officials are giving him an elaborate welcome—town to be lit up and what not at night.

No foreigner and very few, if any, Chinese can follow the obscure game that is being played here but there is an unpleasant undercurrent of feeling about that Swatow may again be thrown to the wolves exactly as happened during the last "Red" show here in September.

H.M.S. *Stormcloud* arrived this morning.

[Note:—It was reported from Canton that General Wong Shiu Hung, who has taken control of Swatow with an army of 3,000 men, intended to dispatch some of his forces to break up the pirates stronghold at Bias Bay.

It was also understood that upon General Wong Shiu Hung's arrival at Swatow, General Chen Ming Shu would leave for Canton.]

NATURALISED BRITISH SUBJECTS.

POWER TO CANCEL RIGHTS.

PROPOSED NEW ORDINANCE.

At the next meeting of the Legislative Council a Bill will be introduced intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Naturalisation Ordinance, 1902, and to provide for the revocation of naturalisation rights in certain cases.

The "Objects and Reasons" of the Bill state:—

1.—One object of this bill is to apply to local naturalisation the powers of revocation which exist with regard to imperial naturalisation. Put shortly, the chief cases in which revocation will be possible are the following:—

(*a*) where naturalisation was obtained by fraud, or false representation, or concealment of material circumstances;

(*b*) where the person in question has shown himself disloyal to His Majesty;

(*c*) where the person in question trades with the enemy, or adheres to the enemy, in any war in which His Majesty is engaged;

(*d*) where he has ceased to reside permanently in the Colony;

(*e*) where he is sentenced by any court in His Majesty's dominions to imprisonment for twelve months or to penal servitude or to a fine of one thousand dollars or one hundred pounds.

In cases (*a*) and (*b*) above the Governor must revoke the naturalisation rights of the person in question; in the other cases he has a discretion. Provision is made that before making any order the Governor may refer the case for inquiry to a committee to be appointed by him and to be presided over by a judge of the Supreme Court. In certain cases, including those referred to in (*a*) and (*b*) above, the person to be affected will have the right to an inquiry.

2.—The other object is to provide that a person naturalised locally shall automatically lose his local British status if he leaves the Colony and becomes naturalised in some foreign state. This provision is also based on the law relating to imperial naturalisation.

MORPHIA TRAFFIC.

STUDENT CARRIER GIVES AWAY COLLEAGUE.

BOTH HEAVILY PUNISHED.

At the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday morning, Cheung Fook, a ship's carpenter, and Lee Leung, a young student, were charged before Mr. W. Schofield with attempting to smuggle contraband into the Colony.

The first defendant was defended by Mr. W. D. Owen, while Mr. Leo d'Almada appeared for the latter. Inspector A. J. W. Dorling prosecuted.

An Indian watchman employed by the Kowloon Godown Co., stated that on the morning of January 27th he noticed the 2nd defendant carrying two parcels and walking in a suspicious manner from the direction of No. 3 Wharf. On searching the defendant he found that the package contained cocaine and arrested him.

Upon being asked where he got the packages from the defendant said that a man on the s.s. *Santhia* gave them to him and that he was taking them to "a place in Nathan Road." The address was not given.

Continuing, Sergt. Fowler stated he went aboard the s.s. *Santhia* with defendant who pointed out a man whom he said gave him the two packages.

Upon searching the man's cabin a package wrapped in brown paper was found under the bunk, the contents of which included a few grains of cocaine.

At this junction, Mr. W. D. Owen intervened and said the grains found in the parcel had not yet been proved to be cocaine, but a subsequent telephone message from the Import and Export Department revealed the grains were cocaine.

The Innocent!

Mr. d'Almada in his submission for the student defendant said that he was sure his Worship would agree with him that this was one of the very few cases in which the carrier had ever produced the real owner, and that his client had assisted the Court and police in every possible way to bring the principal offender to justice. He further stated that the defendant was merely a carrier and that a slight fine or caution should be imposed as a lesson.

His Worship replied that he would impose a light fine within defendant's means and adjourned the Court for a few minutes in order that inquiries might be made.

Good Character!

When the case was resumed, Mr. W. D. Owen, for the second defendant, the importer, produced certificates to show that the latter possessed a good record and character. "He served," continued Mr. Owen, "on the British ship, the s.s. *Hollycell*, during the War. That vessel sank a German submarine by gunfire and defendant received his share of a sum of money given to the Captain and divided amongst the crew."

Police Prove Otherwise.

Unfortunately for defendants, Inspector Dorling, prosecuting, produced evidence which showed that both the defendants had been convicted on previous occasions of smuggling morphine into the Colony.

This evidence altered the whole case and his Worship immediately retracted his suggestion of a light fine. He convicted both defendants and expressed his regret that a record and character such as that possessed by the second defendant should have been spoilt. But as this was not his first conviction and as he was the principal offender in the case his Worship could not let him off lightly. He must impose a fine of $4,000, with the alternative of one year's hard labour. The first defendant, the carrier, would have to pay $1,000 or undergo five months' imprisonment. His Worship made an order that all the contraband should be confiscated.

NEW ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN.

LICENSED AT THE CATHEDRAL YESTERDAY.

THE REV. H. V. KOOP.

During Matins at St. John's Cathedral yesterday, the Rev. H. V. Koop, B.A., Oxon, was licensed by the Bishop of Victoria (the Rt. Rev. C. R. Duppuy) as Assistant Chaplain at St. John's Cathedral.

This ceremony took place following the reading of the first lesson by the Very Rev. Alfred Swann, M.A., D.S.C. (Dean of St. John's Cathedral). The Bishop took his seat in the chancel and the new Assistant Chaplain, who is the first of two permanent Assistant Chaplains to arrive in the Colony, was sworn in and took the oath, following which he received the Blessing.

The Rev. W. R. Cannell preached.

Last evening, a social gathering was held at the Cathedral Hall, after Evensong, and opportunity was taken at this function to welcome the Rev. H. V. Koop and Mrs. Koop.

OBITUARY.

MRS. D. MACDONALD.

FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY.

Many friends in the Colony heard with deep regret of the death of Mrs. D. Macdonald, an old resident of the Colony.

The late Mrs. Macdonald was the widow of Major Donald Macdonald, of the Hong Kong Volunteer Corps, and a past President of the Hong Kong St. Andrew's Society.

Major Macdonald was also a partner in the firm of Macdonald & Co., Consulting Engineers and Marine Surveyors, and following retirement from the firm, he died at Home in 1922.

Mrs. Macdonald went Home with her husband about ten years ago, but returned to the Colony about twelve months ago. She passed away at Observatory Villas, Kowloon. For sometime past her health had been somewhat indifferent, but she was able to attend the recent St. Andrew's Society Ball.

The late Mrs. Macdonald was born in Hong Kong, and was well known to a large circle of friends.

Mrs. Macdonald is survived by two children, a son and a daughter. One son was killed during the war, when he held a commission in the Flying Corps. Her surviving daughter is now Mrs. Pope, and resides in England.

The Funeral.

The funeral took place at Happy Valley Cemetery on Saturday afternoon, the interment being in the Roman Catholic Cemetery.

The service at the graveside was conducted by the Rev. Father Rossi, and amongst those present were Messrs. Syme Thomson, D. K. Beall, Geo. Lammert, A. G. Gordon, C. G. Wood, A. S. Mackichan, F. M. Crawford, Geo. Grimble, G. Miskin, R. Hunter, Ho Kom Tong, Ho Kwong, Ho Leung and Colonel Robertson.

Mrs. Macdonald's nurse who had been her constant companion for some time, was also present.

Wreaths were sent by:—"Peggy," "Willie," "Gordon," "Hilda and Jane," "Agnes and Kyrle," "Olive and Harry" and "Katie Archee."

Lady Chater, Mrs. A. G. Gordon, Mrs. D. K. Beall, Mrs. Dora Armstrong, Mrs. Maitland, Mrs. Ho Fook, Miss Phyllis Ho, Miss Nancy Ho, the Misses Jean, Grace and Florence Ho, Miss Cheung, and Miss L. Cheung.

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THE USE OF "DECOYS."

SOLICITOR'S SHARP COMMENT.

Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton made sharp comment regarding the using of decoys by the police, when he appeared at the Central Magistracy on Saturday morning, on behalf of the manager of the Nanking Boarding House, Connaught Road Central, who was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with allowing rooms in the boarding house to be used for an immoral purpose.

A statement by Inspector Bloor was to the effect that he had suspected the boarding house for some time, and ultimately he decided to send two male "decoys" to the place. Later, when a raid was carried out, the decoys were found with a girl each in separate rooms.

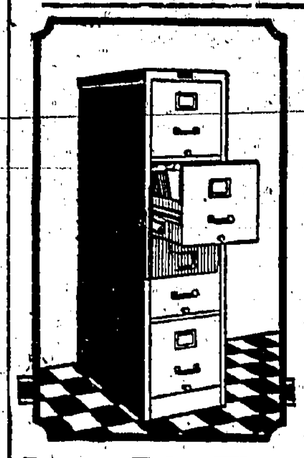
When they gave evidence, the police decoys each said that the room "boy" at the hotel volunteered to get girls for them, and they agreed.

During cross-examination, by Mr. Brutton, it was stated that the police supplied the decoys with which to engage the girls.

Mr. Brutton remarked that "the police supply the money for these decoys to engage the girls, and this is called 'the prevention of prostitution'—my word."

The case was adjourned till this morning.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

MISCELLANEOUS PROCEEDINGS No. 7 of 1928.

IN THE MATTER OF LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD. (AND REDUCED), AND IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE, 1911.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition presented to the Supreme Court of Hong Kong on the 1st Day of FEBRUARY, 1928, for confirming the Reduction of the Capital of the above Company from $1,500,000.00 to $900,000.00 is directed to be heard before His Honour Sir HENRY COWPER GOLLAN, Knight, C.B.E., on FRIDAY, the 10TH Day of FEBRUARY, 1928, at 2.30 O'CLOCK in the AFTERNOON.

Any Creditor or Shareholder of the Company desiring to oppose the making of an Order for Reduction of the Capital of the said Company under the above Ordinance should appear at the Time of Hearing by himself or his Counsel for that purpose.

A copy of the Petition will be furnished to any Creditor or Shareholder of the Company requiring the same by the Undersigned on payment of the regulated Charges for the same.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1928.

DEACONS,
Solicitors for the Company,
1, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL,
Hong Kong. [5856

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at CITY HALL Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 25TH FEBRUARY, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st DECEMBER, 1927.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13TH FEBRUARY, to SATURDAY, the 25TH FEBRUARY, 1928 (Both Days inclusive), during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 6th Feb., 1928. [5855

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs DODWELL & COMPANY, LIMITED, on TUESDAY, the 7TH FEBRUARY, 1928, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st DECEMBER, 1927.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 30TH JANUARY to 7TH FEBRUARY, 1928, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
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NAVY LEAGUE (HONG KONG BRANCH).

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the NAVY LEAGUE will be held on WEDNESDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY at 5.30 P.M., in the Boardroom of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD. (by kind permission).

All Members are cordially invited to Attend.

L. M. WHYTE,
Hon. Secretary.
[5844

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 9TH FEBRUARY, 1928, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1927.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 1st FEBRUARY, to FRIDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY (Both Days inclusive), during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 25th Jan., 1928. [5808

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED, will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co, LTD., Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 27TH Day of FEBRUARY, 1928, 12 O'CLOCK NOON, to transact the Ordinary Business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER of MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 13TH, to MONDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY, 1928, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 4th Feb., 1928. [5351

INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 6TH FLOOR, PEDDER BUILDING, Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 6TH Day of FEBRUARY, 1928, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the Year ended DECEMBER 31st, 1927; to confirm the appointment of Three Directors, and to elect Two Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, JANUARY 30TH, 1928, to MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH, 1928, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
D. L. KING,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, Jan. 25th, 1928. [5807

THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD., on THURSDAY, the 16TH FEBRUARY, 1928, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1927, and if thought fit to sanction the Payment to the Directors of the Yearly Sum of $1,000.00 as an Annual Bonus in addition to the Yearly Sum of $1,000.00 payable to them under paragraph 96 of the Company's Articles of Association as from the 1st JANUARY, 1928. The purpose of this is to make effective the following Resolution passed at the Annual Meeting of the Company held on 2-th JANUARY, 1927—"That the Directors' remuneration be increased from $1,000.00 per annum to $2,000.00 per annum."

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 6TH FEBRUARY, 1928, to THURSDAY, the 16TH FEBRUARY, 1928, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 30th Jan. 1928. [5825

THE HONG KONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 44, DES VOEUX ROAD, on TUESDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY, 1928, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY, to TUESDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY, 1928, Both Days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 4th Feb., 1928. [5854

THE DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL.

THE School has moved from the Temporary Premises to its Own Buildings, recently the General Hospital. School will REOPEN on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH at 9 A.M. New Boys should attend on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH at 9 A.M.

The Office will be at the School Buildings from MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH, TELEPHONE: KOWLOON 777.

Applications for Prospectus, etc., should be addressed—THE BURSAR, THE DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL, P.O. Box 33, Hong Kong.

THE REV. W. T. FEATHERSTONE, M.A. (OXON.), Headmaster.
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RACE MEETING, 1928.

13TH, 14TH, 15TH AND 18TH FEBRUARY.

MEMBERS' BADGES.

MEMBERS' BADGES of Admission are now ready and may be obtained by those Members who have not already received them, from Messrs. LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings.

Members are reminded that these Badges will also admit them to all the Extra Race Meetings of this year.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members have the privilege of introducing Two Non-members to the Members' Enclosure.

A Limited Number of Tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings, on or before SATURDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY, 1928, at a Cost of $10 Each Per Day or $30 for the Meeting.

The Charge for Admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be $4 Per Day. Each Member can obtain upon application to the SECRETARY, Badges for the Admission of Two Ladies Free of Charge. On no pretext will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the First Three Days Racing.

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Tickets of Admission to the Public Enclosure, Price: $3 Per Day for all Persons including Ladies, may be purchased from Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LTD., or at the Gate.

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Admission by Ticket only.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the Precincts of the HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB during the Race Meeting.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination, and to endorse their Names on the Passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their employers' stands.

Any Persons found loitering about with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
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NOTICE.

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PROPAGANDA ON THE WIRELESS.

IT has often been urged that the British Broadcasting Company are wrong in refusing to allow propaganda to go out on the air. Subjects which are controversial in character are taboo. That is the settled policy, and no doubt a good case can be made out in support of it. Recently a proposal was put forward in London that debates in Parliament ought to be broadcast. By this means the public would be enabled to listen to the speakers on both sides and form their own conclusions.

Broadcasting brings the whole world into the home to instruct or amuse, and there are enthusiasts who argue that if political speeches are excluded the B.B.C. is neglecting its duty. On the other hand, if it be conceded that politics should form part of the programme, who is to decide where the line shall be drawn? To what extent are speeches to be reported, and whose speeches? Moreover, there are few political speeches which are not propagandist in conception and aim, and thus we get back again to the question of policy.

It is a question of considerable moment for every authority responsible for broadcasting wherever it may be. Obviously some censorship is required over what is sent out; and it is inevitable that there should be differences of opinion with regard to the extent of the control that is exercised. We have mentioned politics as a case in point. But there are many other subjects. For instance, the editor of the *National Review* has recently complained that, while he was not allowed to express his mind on the subject of aircraft, the B.B.C., had given free rein to "a conspicuous German propagandist"—to wit, Dr. Emil Ludwig on Bismarck. The decision to have no propaganda has inevitably driven the B.B.C., into restrictions and precautions that are occasionally ludicrous. But that is a fate that sooner or later overtakes every form of censorship.

It seems to us that in demanding from the B.B.C. the inclusion of politics, religion and industrial questions—which are officially labelled controversial—the critics are assuming too much. They appear to think that people cannot exist without controversy. But in this surely they are mistaken? Of course, there are some to whom controversy is the salt of life, but where is the man who demands salt at every meal and with everything? While it is true that there are two or more sides to a subject, it is often most agreeable to forget these dimensions and limitations. It has been well said that one of the delights of music is that it charms the ear without challenging the listener to a tiresome argument. The most popular people in a social sense are not those who argue and contend in learned fashion, but rather those who skim the conversational surface pleasantly and with a light heart.

Broadcasting can be turned to account as a powerful instrument of propaganda; and if a Government in power wanted to use it for its own purposes the example would be followed by other parties when their turn came until chaos would be worse confounded. It would be disastrous if the B.B.C. were put at the mercy of politicians; as well might the Navy, the Army or the Post Office be made pawns in the party game. Its political utilisation is only justifiable in the case of a great national emergency, when all its resources necessarily belong to the Government charged with the defence of the State.

The annual meeting of St. Peter's Church will be held next Sunday, following morning service.

The promotion of 2nd Lieut. J. E. Hancock to the rank of Lieut. in the H.K.V.O.C. is gazetted.

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held at the City Hall on Saturday, February 25th, at noon.

The 31st ordinary annual meeting of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., will be held to-day, at noon, 6th floor, Pedder Building.

Professor J. L. Shellshear, of the Hong Kong University, delivers a lecture to-day, at 5.30 p.m., at the Helena May Institute, on "The Evolution of the Intelligence."

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. David Henry Penny, engineer, Asiatic Petroleum Company, North Point, and Miss Gladys May Robinson, residing at the Station Hotel, Kowloon.

Notice is given that at the expiration of three months from date, unless cause is shown to the contrary, The China Sun Motion Pictures Co., Ltd, will be struck off the register of companies.

An order for the confiscation of an automatic pistol, 100 rounds of ammunition and four magazines which were found in the Kowloon Godown Company on January 31st, was made at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday morning by Mr. W. Schofield.

A petition presented at the Supreme Court for the confirmation of the recent resolution passed to reduce the capital of Lane, Crawford's, Ltd. $1,500,000 to $900,000, is to be heard before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) on Friday, February 10th, at 2.30 p.m.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday morning with tying six chickens together by their legs. The defendant pleaded that he had just arrived from his village and was unacquainted with the local regulations. His Worship imposed a fine of $5.

The Trustees of the Mesque and Guardians of the Mahommedan Cemetery are sending a circular to members of the Muslim community reminding them that the Mahommedan Subarat (All Souls' Day) will fall on Tuesday the 7th inst. Muslims throughout the world will offer prayers for their Dead.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of a Chinese named Tse Tit, a rent collector employed by Messrs. Wing Yick, contractors, of 22, Swatow Street. In a report to the police, the master of the shop in question stated that Tse Tit collected $781 from various shops in Shaukiwan during the past few days, and absconded.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell on Saturday morning, Tsang On Wing and Cheung Man Kun, the two Chinese clerks who were formerly at the Treasury, again appeared in connection with the charges relating to the loss by the Treasury of over $260,000. They were formally remanded, until Thursday next, at 11 a.m., when it is expected that the case will be opened.

For dumping rubbish and refuse in a place other than that allotted a Chinese employed by the Bombay Restaurant, No. 88, Nathan Road, was charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday morning. Inspector Roylance of the Sanitary Board stated that although the defendant had been cautioned on a previous occasions the offence was repeated. The defendant pleaded guilty and was fined $7.00.

A small outbreak of fire occurred last evening at Kowloon, but although three appliances turned out from the Fire Station, their services were not required for long. The incident proved to be a chimney fire, at No. 717, Nathan Road, Mongkok, and the fire was quickly extinguished. There was a chimney fire on the Hong Kong side on Saturday night, and the outbreaks occurred at approximately the same time each evening, namely 7.15 and 7.30 p.m.

Before Major C. Willson, at the Central Magistracy on Saturday morning, two Chinese women were charged with harbouring three children under the age of twenty-one, without the consent of their parents. A remand in police custody was applied for by Sergeant Fitches, and he explained that the women were alleged to be connected with a gang of kidnappers who had murdered the children's parents in the country. It was further stated that the children's ages were 14, 13 and 7 years. A remand in police custody for three days was granted.

THEFT OF $100 FROM SINCERE'S.

MAN CAPTURED BY SHOP ASSISTANT.

A hue and cry was raised at the Sincere Company's store at closing time last night when a Chinese snatched $100 from a cashier by leaning over the counter.

The man darted into the street with the shop employees in pursuit and the alleged thief was caught in Tat Hing Street. He will be brought before the Magistrate this morning. It was stated that the $100 note was found on him.

THE BANVARD MUSICAL COMPANY.

DELAY IN ARRIVAL: OPENING TO-MORROW NIGHT.

The *Kashima Maru* in which the Banvard Musical Company are travelling here from Singapore has been delayed and it will not be possible for the Company to open their season at the Theatre Royal this evening, as has been advertised.

The ship was due here early this morning, but will not arrive until much later in the day.

The Company will, however, open to-morrow (Tuesday) evening, at 8.15, presenting "Katja, The Dancer."

As the Company are later proceeding to Shanghai, it may be necessary to revise the programme, but a full announcement of future shows will be made.

Seats booked for to-night may be exchanged, or money will be refunded if asked for.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.55 p.m., stated:—

The anti-cyclone continues to move eastward, it is now central over Japan. The monsoon will be temporarily interrupted.

Local Forecasts:—East winds, cloudy, some rain.

INTERESTING LOCAL WEDDING.

WELL KNOWN COUPLE MARRIED.

MR. G. H. WHITE AND MISS G. L. WOOLLEY.

The popularity of bride and bridegroom among a large circle of friends in the Colony was demonstrated by the large number who attended the wedding on Saturday afternoon at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, and later the reception held at the residence of Mr. T. Hynes, General Post Office Building.

The bride was Miss Gladys Louise Woolley, daughter of Mrs. Woolley, 565, Nathan Road, Kowloon, and of the late Mr. William Henry Woolley. She has been a member of the staff of the Vacuum Oil Company.

The bridegroom was Mr. G. H. White, who is employed as an engineer-draughtsman, at the Kowloon Dock, and is the son of Mrs. White, and the late Mr. George White.

The bride entered the Church on the arm of Mr. T. Hynes (an old friend of her late father) by whom she was given away. She wore a charming frock of embroidered white charmeuse, trimmed with orange blossom and white heather, with fine tulle veil trimmed with a dainty wreath of orange blossom buds. She carried a sheaf of arum lilies.

In attendance on the bride were Miss Evelyn S. Woolley, and Miss Iris Woolley, sisters of the bride, and Miss Eileen Hynes. The first named bridesmaid wore a dress of pale blue satin crepe, trimmed with silver lace, and carried a bouquet of pink roses and maiden hair fern. The other two bridesmaids were attired in frocks of pale blue crepe-de-chine, and each bridesmaid wore an head dress of pale blue banks of tulle trimmed with rose buds. The two latter bridesmaids each carried silver baskets filled with sweet peas.

The bride's mother wore a dress of fawn satin, trimmed with silk lace to match, black panne velvet hat, and carried a bouquet of violets and mauve sweet peas.

The duties of "best man" were discharged by Mr. Cecil Neave, and Mr. W. J. Woolley (brother of the bride) was groomsman. The Rev. W. Walton Rogers (Vicar of St. Andrew's Church) officated.

During the service, the hymn, "Thine for Ever" was sung, and Mr. Rupert Baldwin, the organist, also played appropriate wedding music.

Following the Church ceremony, a reception was held at the residence of Mr. T. Hynes, General Post Office Building, which was attended by many friends.

The health of the bride and bridegroom was submitted by Mr. Hynes.

Later, Mr. and Mrs. White left for their honeymoon, the bride wearing a powder blue silk moracain dress, with silver grey satin coat trimmed with grey fur, and hat to match.

Both bride and bridegroom were the recipients of many presents.

MIND YOUR POCKETS!

STUDENT ROBBED OF $374.

THIEF CUTS VICTIM'S COAT.

Mr. Tellesoro, theological student at the Hong Kong University, was the victim of a smart thief on on Saturday and lost $374.

This gentleman's actions were apparently closely watched by the thief while he visited the Queen's Theatre counter at 11 o'clock that morning. Taking from his hip pocket an envelope containing $375, Mr. Tellesoro tendered a $5 note, looked a dollar seat, and putting the four dollars change back into the envelope and the envelope into his pocket, he went straight to the "Star" ferry.

At the ferry station he found that the envelope with the money was gone. The thief had taken it by cutting through the cloth.

Recently another gentleman was similarly robbed near the same locality, and the thief put a peanut bag in place of the bundle of notes which he took.

UNLAWFUL IMPLEMENTS.

KNOTTED HANDKERCHIEF AND WIRE IN A HAT.

Two Chinese, Hip Cheong and Leung Wong, appeared before Mr. W. Chofield at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday morning, on the charge of being in possession of implements suitable for unlawful purposes.

The first defendant had a long piece of copper wire which he concealed around his waist, while the other had concealed 3 lengths of similar wire in his hat and had also two coloured silk handkerchiefs knotted together and suitable for a gag.

It was stated in the evidence that these articles were of a kind commonly used in an armed robbery. The first defendant whilst being taken to the Police Station attempted to dispose of the copper wire which he had around his waist.

His Worship imposed a sentence of six weeks' hard labour on each of the defendants.

TO SAVE CHINA FROM HER "INTERMINABLE CIVIL WARS."

WHAT LIANG SHIH YI, EX-PRESIDENT LI AND OTHERS HOPE TO DO.

ANOTHER HONAN CITY FALLS TO MARSHAL FENG.

THE FRENCH MINISTER AT NANKING.

IMPORTANT PROPOSALS REGARDING CHINESE MARITIME CUSTOMS.

According to the vernacular Press, a movement has been started "To save China from further interminable civil wars." This highly praiseworthy project is stated to have been promoted by Mr. Liang Shih Yi, whom the Chinese term "the god of wealth" and who some years ago occupied the post of Premier in Peking. The name of ex-President Li Yuan Hung is also mentioned and it is stated that other "retired officials" are likewise interested. All right-minded folk will give the new body their blessing.

Mr. Edwardes, the acting Inspector-General of Customs, is now in Shanghai, and it is reported that the object of his visit may have far-reaching effects upon China's fiscal affairs subsequent upon considerable modifications of the Chinese Maritime Customs tariff.

It is reported that Marshal Feng's troops have gained another substantial victory in Northern Honan, and that not only has another city capitulated to them but that a large number of Fengtienese troops together with "two high military leaders" were included in the victory.

ACTING "I.-G." AT SHANGHAI.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 4th.

Mr. Edwardes arrived from Peking this afternoon on the *Dairen Maru*.

Object Of The Visit.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 5th.

According to reports from Peking, Mr. Edwardes has come to Shanghai to arrange an understanding with the Nationalist Government on the lines of his memorandum to the Peking Government last August for the abolition of the present *ad valorem* 5 per cent. Customs duties and 2½ per cent. surtax and the imposition instead of 12½ per cent. *ad valorem* Customs duties for all China.

It is understood that Britain, America, France, Italy and the Netherlands approve and that Japan opposes the proposal.

After providing for the service of foreign loans, the new scheme suggests a division of the Customs surpluses proportionately to the Customs houses controlled by the various Chinese authorities.

The Peking Government advocates the inauguration of tariff autonomy on January 1st, 1929.

HANYANG ARSENAL.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, February 5th.

The rifle manufacturing works of the Hanyang Arsenal has stopped running, and the Hankow authorities have decided to utilize the plant for manufacturing goods.

"TO SAVE CHINA."

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, February 5th.

A telegram from Peking reports that ex-President Li Yuan Hung together with a number of retired officials is taking the initiative in organising a nationwide association to save the nation from plunging into further interminable civil wars. Its headquarters will be in Tientsin, while in Shanghai and Hankow branches will be established for simultaneous movements among the masses. The main object of the association is to appeal to the people on the necessity of convoking a national convention. Representations from different political parties and public bodies will be invited to attend in order to remove political differences by united effort.

A subsequent telegraphic report from Northern sources states that ex-President Li denies that he is taking the lead in this movement, and states that Mr. Liang Shih Yi is the promoter.

ANOTHER VICTORY FOR MARSHAL FENG.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, February 5th.

Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang's troops captured another important city—Weifei, in Northern Honan, at the end of last month. As a result of this victory Feng's troops have secured a large number of Fengtienese troops in addition to two high military leaders.

FRENCH MINISTER AT NANKING.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, February 5th.

The French Minister has arrived at Nanking from Hankow. The Nanking Government will arrange a dinner party in his honour. Mrs. Chiang Kai Shek is one of the guests invited.

H.M.S. "HERMES" EN ROUTE TO CHINA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PORT SAID, Feb. 4th.

The aircraft-carrier *Hermes* has arrived and leaves on her way to China to-day.

KUOMINTANG CONFERENCE.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, February 5th.

The 4th Kuomintang Conference continued to sit yesterday, with General Tan Yan Kai as chairman. Among the resolutions laid on the table, three sets of proposals put forth by executive members in additions to problems regarding the definition of powers exercised by the commander-in-chief of the Kuomintang Army and the Military Council, were thoroughly discussed, with the result that they were handed over to the special committee for examination. Concerning Party affairs, it was decided that before the Plenary Session would be able to proclaim a set of rules for reganising Provincial Kuomintangs, they should be ordered to suspend activities.

The session lasted three hours until 5 o'clock p.m. It will reusme to-morrow.

SHANSI ATTACKING IN CHIHLI.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, Feb. 4th.

It is learned from Chinese sources that the Shansi forces are attacking Shihchiachuang, fighting going on four miles to the west.

General Chang Tsung Chang is reported to have decided personally to direct operations against the Kuominchun.

Two Fengtien armies are reported from Tzechow to be advancing eastwards to attack the Kuominchun flank in the vicinity of Tamingfu.

NEWS FROM YANGTSZE PORTS.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

ICHANG, February 4th.

Stated to be exceptionally well equipped, the 5th Independent Division, have arrived at Ichang from a Northern province.

The report that the 19th Army had arrived at Ichang was incorrect.

CHANGLIN, February 4th.

Troops of the 13th Army are reported to be fortifying the bluff at Chenglin.

A river Inspector's launch was fired upon when entering the port. Another river Inspector's launch was attacked by pirates above Chenglin. One man was killed, and the launch was looted.

KIURIANG, February 3rd.

Brigands still continue to be very active in this area.

CHINKIANG, February 3rd.

The Concession is now clear of Chinese troops, with the exception of those at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's property, where the Opium Bureau is situated.

WUHU, February 3rd.

As a result of meetings held there, it has been decided to continue the British boycott.

ICHANG, February 3rd.

An explosion occurred on the British steamer *Kian*, and as a result one member of the crew was killed outright, and eight Chinese were very severely burnt.

After the explosion a search was carried out by an armed guard, and four bags of gunpowder and one packet of cordite discovered.

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THE QUESTION OF INTERVENTION.

DISCUSSED BY PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE.

"MAGNA CHARTA OF THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE."

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

HAVANA, Feb. 5th.

The long expected raising of the question of intervention by one American State in the affairs of another occurred on the 4th inst. in committee of the Pan-American Conference on a report from Senor Maurtua of Peru defining the sovereignty of American nations and declaring that "no State may interfere in the affairs of another." The report was endorsed by Mr. C. S. Hughes, U.S. ex-Secretary of State, who called it the "Magna Charta of the Western Hemisphere."

Senor Maurtua, in presenting the report, asserted that independence was not an absolute right but was "limited by duties of international co-operation."

The attack was led by Senor Pueyrredon, Argentina, who declared that the "Sovereignty of States consisted of the absolute right the entire internal autonomy and complete external independence and must be consecrated in law and practised in fact or international and juridical harmony no longer exists."

The delegates of San Salvador, Guatemala, San Domingo and Mexico, amid much applause, supported Senor Pueyrredom.

Doctor Ferrara, the Cuban Ambassador to Washington, however, defended right of intervention as practised by the United States and attacked the critics of he United States.

FLYING TO NEW YORK.

COSTES AND LEBRIX AT NEW ORLEANS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 5th.

Costes and Lebrix, flying to New York, have arrived here. They flew from Mexico City in ten hours and were welcomed by large crowds.

KOREAN "REDS."

THIRTY-THREE ARRESTED AT SEOUL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, Feb. 4th.

It is learned from Korea that the police have arrested 33 Korean Communists, including some women, at Seoul.

As the result of a domiciliary search a number of incriminating documents have been reported as seized.

SIR JOHN DUNCAN.

STRIKING TRIBUTE FROM CHINESE GENERAL.

On relinquishing command of the British Defence Force at Shanghai, Major-General Sir John Duncan exchanged autographed portraits with General Chang Ting Fan of the Nationalist Army, Mayor of Greater Shanghai. Mr. T. T. Chen on General Chang Ting Fan's behalf, presented Sir John with a silver cup as a memento of their pleasant dealings together and Sir John's close co-operation with the Chinese military authorities.

It is not stated whether this material was part of the cargo being carried, or whether it had been placed on board for a nefarious purpose.

The *Kian* is owned by the China Navigation Company, and flies the British flag. She called at Ichang on her usual run between Hankow, Changsha and Siangtan, *viâ* Yochow.

Another Incident.

Chinese troops occupied to-day the premises of the U.J.C., a British firm at Ichang, but they withdrew on representations made by the British Consul.

Large numbers of troops continue to arrive from down river.

It is rumoured that the 8th, 35th, 38th and 44th armies are receiving money from Chiang Kai Shek.

SHANGHAI, February 3rd.

The 4th Plenary Conference was opened on February 2nd at Nanking.

It is believed that the object is apparently to force the Wuhan leaders to combine with Nanking in the Northern Expedition.

None of the Wuhan, or Canton military leaders were present at the Conference, and it is therefore most probable that any decisions reached will be ignore.

It is rumoured that one of the loyal commanders of Chiang Kai Shek has had his troops disarmed by Pai Chung Hsi in Hunan. As a counter move, Chiang has directed Shen Tiao Yuan to intercept Pai Chung Hsi, but it is very improbable that the latter will bring his troops back into Kiangsu.

A SENSATIONAL AFFAIR.

AN ARREST BY ORDER OF THE SENATE.

HIGH OFFICIAL OF THE "STANDARD OIL."

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4th.

Mr. Robert W. Stewart, Chairman of the Board of the Standard Oil Co. of Indiana, has been arrested by order of the Senate for refusing to answer questions before the Senate Committee investigating the Teapot Dome oil leases.

Mr. Stewart helped to organise in 1922 the Continental Trading Company, which according to the Government supplied money to Mr. Harry Sinclair to give to Secretary of the Interior Fall.

"Merely Technical."

LATER.

Mr. Stewart's arrest is merely technical. He will be required to remain in his hotel in company of the deputy sergeant-at-arms, who will take him before the bar of the Senate to state what he knows as regards the disposition of the liberty bonds by the Continental Company of Canada.

Release Obtained."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5th.

Mr. Stewart took the case to the Supreme Court (District of Columbia) and obtained release from arrest on a writ of *habeas corpus*.

The hearing of the writ to determine whether he will retain his liberty has been fixed for the 7th instant.

CHAMPION LOOPER.

515 LOOPS IN 4 HOURS, 18 MINS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

ST. PAULS, Minnesota, Feb. 5th.

Gene Shank, a law student who is interested in aviation, established a world record in aeroplane looping by making 515 loops in 4 hours, 18 minutes, beating by 200 loops Maynard's record in France.

ABOLISH THE SUBMARINE?

AMERICA PREPARED TO CO-OPERATE.

WORLD WIDE ACTION ESSENTIAL.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, Feb. 4th.

Mr. Kellogg has advised the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives that the American Government is willing to sign a treaty with all the Powers of the world prohibiting the use of submarines entirely.

LATER.

Mr. Kellogg's views on submarines were set forth in a letter to Mr. Porter, chairman of the Committee, in response to a request for a statement on the attitude of the State Department to the resolution introduced in the House of Representatives by Mr. Frothingham, member for Massachusets. This resolution proposed the prohibition of the construction of submarines.

The letter says there is no objection to the resolution provided that submarines are abolished and construction prohibited throughout the world. It was impossible that one country should abolish submarines, and leave any other country free to operate and build them.

ENDURANCE RECORD ATTEMPT FAILS.

AEROPLANE CRASHES FROM 40 FEET.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, Feb. 4th.

The third attempt of Chamberlin and Roger Williams to establish a new world's endurance record flight failed, the aeroplane crashing from a height of 40 feet immediately after taking off from Byrd Field. The airmen were unhurt but the machine was badly damaged.

Officials considered that the crash was due to the fact that the runway was too short for a machine which carried 460 gallons of petrol.

ORIGINAL WRIGHT BIPLANE ON VIEW.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DAYTON (Ohio), Feb. 4th.

The original Wright biplane, in which the first successful flight in heavier than air machines was made by *Kitty Hawk* in North Carolina in 1903 has been shipped to Britain for exhibition in the British Museum for an indefinite period.

THE SOVIET AND GERMANY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, Feb. 4th.

Official economic negotiations are about to open with the German Government in Berlin.

PRES. COOLIDGE ON NEWSPAPERS' DUTIES.

PRESS AND THE GOVERNMENT.

THE LAWS OF TRUTH.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5th.

Dedicating the National Press Club, President Coolidge, in the course of interesting observations on the duties of newspapers, declared that the Press should co-operate with the Government in international affairs. He laid down the principle that the Government itself had charge of foreign relations and suggested that when the Press undertook to exert its influence on behalf of foreign interests the "candour of the situation would greatly increase if their foreign connections were publicly disclosed." Foreign interests were entitled to be represented in the United States. "But when foreign governments were represented here their agents were required to come publicly accredited and be publicly received." For generations the law of the United States had forbidden their own citizens to enter into negotiations with foreign governments with regard to their relations with their own Government. Such negotiations could only be carried on under the direction of the President. The spirit of mankind was more and more demanding that Government and society should be conducted under the laws of truth and those who forgot that precept were "bound for a moral explosion."

NEW ADMIRAL OF THE FLEET.

ADMIRAL SIR HENRY OLIVER APPOINTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 3rd.

It is officially announced that Admiral Sir Henry Oliver has been promoted Admiral of the Fleet in succession to the late Admiral Sir John de Robeck.

[Admiral Sir Henry Oliver, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., C.B., M.V.O., was until recently Commander-in-Chief of the Atlantic Fleet, serving in that capacity for three years. He joined the Royal Navy in 1878, was promoted Lieutenant ten years later and Commander in 1899. Just prior to the War he was promoted Rear-Admiral, becoming Chief of the Admiralty War staff on the outbreak. Appointed Vice-Admiral in 1918, he was given the command of the Home Fleet, but from 1920-24 served as Second Sea Lord. He was promoted full Admiral in 1923.]

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE APPOINTMENT.

EARL STRADBROKE TO SUCCEED LORD BLEDISLOE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 4th.

It is officially announced that the King has approved the appointment of Earl Stradbroke as Parliamentary Secretary of the Ministry of Agriculture in succession to Lord Bledisloe.

PRES. COSGRAVE AND DE VALERA.

NO MEETING IN NEW YORK.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, Feb. 4th.

President Cosgrave left for England aboard the s.s. *Olympic* without meeting Mr. De Valera who was in New York at the same time. Neither was invited to functions at which the other was a guest.

President Cosgrave appeared very fatigued after his strenuous trip.

Mr. De Valera goes to England next week.

RUSSIAN EXPEDITION.

TO STUDY TIBET TABLELAND AND YANGTSZE SOURCES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, Feb. 4th.

The Russian Geographical Society has organised an expedition to Central Asia, under Professor Kozlov, to study the Tibet Tableland and investigate the sources of the Yangtsekiang.

The expedition will probably last three years.

SOVIET COMMISSIONERS IN DANGER.

RAILWAY CARRIAGE ON FIRE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, Feb. 4th.

A fire broke out in a saloon car of a train from Leningrad to Murmansk. Railway Commissioners were travelling in the car, and threw themselves out. Three were seriously injured.

INDIANS AND SIMON COMMISSION.

THE HARTAL IN OPERATION.

EXCITED MOBS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MADRAS, February 3rd.

Mobs got completely out of hand this morning, and seventeen were badly injured in the rioting, one man dying after admission to hospital.

The police attacked and dispersed the mob, but it re-assembled at the High Court, and, after much inflammatory talk by agitators, attacked Europeans in motor cars.

The Secretary of the Imperial Bank was held up in his car which was completely smashed, while two police sergeants who went to the rescue were injured.

The situation has not yet been got under control and troops have been requisitioned.

Stone-Throwing.

The disturbances began when the demonstrating mob compelled a large caterers' shop to close by throwing stones, after which they over-ran the place, looting the contents.

Two Indian Deputy-Commissioners of Police arrived on the scene, dispersed the crowd and made two arrests.

The mob then swarmed round the gates of the prison demanding the release of the captives. The police were called out in a large body to disperse the crowd and after an exciting few minutes in the course of which eight policemen were injured, succeeded in driving them off.

Europeans Assaulted.

The mob then gathered outside the High Court and among other things, set on fire the motor-car belonging to the Government Solicitor.

Mr. Phillips, the Chief Presidency Magistrate, and Dr. Pandalay came up with mounted police and four of the mob were arrested. In spite of strenuous police efforts, the mob got completely out of hand, and continued to stone Mr. Phillips and Dr. Pandalay. Eventually the police were obliged to open fire, several of the crowd being wounded.

"Illustrious" Effigies Burned.

BOMBAY, February 3rd.

The hartal imposed is not affecting the European business quarter in any marked manned, but it has proved most effective elsewhere, very few shops deciding to open while very little business is being done. Vehicular traffic, too, is almost entirely absent from the streets.

The Indian quarters are thronged with pedestrians, most of the mills and workshops being closed for the day.

A crowded meeting of students, held this afternoon, passed a resolution denouncing the Simon Commission, while there was a similar demonstration this morning when the labourers got together and burned effigies of Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Lord Birkenhead, Sir John Simon, and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

In spite of the dense mobs and the work of agitators up to the present there have been no disturbances.

Police Commissioner Injured.

CALCUTTA, February 3rd.

Sir Charles Tegart, the Commissioner of Police, was slightly injured in the arm this morning, by riotous students, whom he was trying to persuade to disperse peacefully.

The students had gathered round the principal Presidency College in the morning and smashed windows, etc., by continual stoning of the premises. The students refused to depart when Sir Charles Tegart arrived, but proceeded to throw stones at him and other authorities present.

Students Arrested.

Finally, Sir Charles ordered out the military and set them to patrol north Calcutta with fixed bayonets.

The disturbance grew at one time and several students were arrested while others were sent to hospital with various injuries.

300 Telegrams Of Welcome.

NEW DELHI, February 5th.

Sir John Simon and the other members of the Commission have arrived. They were received by Mr. Cunningham, Private Secretary to the Viceroy, and Mr. Crerar, the Home Member.

Forty members of the Indian Legislature were introduced to the Commissioners, who conversed with them for half-an-hour. Sir John Simon, to Reuter's correspondent, said that he had received 300 telegrams of welcome to India. "I have brought my team here very fit and intact."

The Commissioners are residing at an hostel alongside members of the Legislature.

Advocate-General Mobbed.

MADRAS, Feb. 4th.

Venkatarama Sastri, the Advocate General, while motoring home was mobbed and seriously injured.

The Moslems are reported to have assaulted the Hindus last night, but quiet has been restored.

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EARL HAIG'S FUNERAL SERVICE.

FURTHER DETAILS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 4th.

The funeral of the late Field Marshal Earl Haig to-day may be said to have been marked by three distinctive phases.

Firstly, the Field Marshal's family and friends joined at Saint Columba's Church, where he had worshipped, in a homely act of devotion. The remains were then borne to Westminster Abbey with wonderful military pageantry through silent, reverent crowds of general public, who must have numbered a million persons. The third phase was service in Westminster Abbey which contrasted strikingly with that which had preceded it at Saint Columba's Church. The coffin was carried into the abbey by troopers of the Royal Horse Guards.

The service concluded impressively. Behind the altar, kilted men of the London Scottish played on their pipes the dirge which Scotsmen have played for the dead from time immemorial, the "Flowers of the Forest." Bugles, high up in the roof, sounded the last post, and "Onward Christian Soldiers," chosen by Lady Haig, was sung by the great congregation.

Impressive Scenes At Edinburgh.

RUGBY, Feb. 3rd.

Although it was after midnight when the special train carrying the body of the late Earl Haig arrived from London at Edinburgh, an immense and silent crowd was present at the station and *en route* to Saint Giles Cathedral, along which it was borne on a gun-carriage, escorted by troops and members of the British Legion.

The road was lined with thousands of spectators. The coffin was placed in the chancel, where it will lie in state, and a guard was mounted.

On Tuesday, after a private service for relatives and friends, the coffin will be conveyed by road and rail to Dryburgh Abbey, where the interment will take place. During the last part of the journey it will be carried on a farm cart in charge of Bemersyde employees.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 4th.

There were most impressive scenes at Edinburgh on the arrival of Earl Haig's body at midnight. The procession to St. Giles was watched by an immense multitude and the only sounds disturbing the midnight calm were the tolling of bells throughout the city, the measured tread of the infantry, the muffled clatter of horses' feet, the tinkling of harness and the bagpipes of Highlanders playing the "Flowers of the Forest."

OBITUARY.

FAMOUS DUTCH SCIENTIST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HAARLEM, Feb. 5th.

The death is announced of Professor Lorentz, the well-known scientist, who was a Nobel prize-winner in 1902.

Police Encounter With Students In Calcutta.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 4th.

The Commissioner of Police, says a Reuter message, stated that a large percentage of police were injured in the encounter with students on February 3rd. Hitherto 80 students have been arrested, but most of them have been released on bail.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Sir John Simon's Statement To The Press.

RUGBY, February 5th.

Sir John Simon and other members of the Statutory Commission arrived at Bombay yesterday.

Sir John Simon issued a statement to the Press in the following terms:—"My colleagues and I set foot in India deeply impressed with the responsibility of our task and resolve to devote all our energy and goodwill to its discharge. Constitutional progress in British India essentially depends on the friendly and sincere co-operation of Indian and British representatives, but it is manifest that there exists at the moment in some quarters a widespread misunderstanding as to what the commission is setting out to do and uncertainty respecting methods it proposes to employ. We shall make it our business without delay to remove the misapprehensions, and after reaching Delhi, and becoming more acquainted with the actual situation, we intend to make a statement of the proposed procedure which should leave no ground for the suspicions which have unfortunately arisen. We mean to take the fullest opportunities open to us for consultation with the Indian representatives who are willing to meet us both during our preliminary visit and when we return for a longer visit in October."

THE WEEK-END SPORT.

Cricket, Local and Home Football, Golf, Boxing, Yachting, etc.

LOCAL CRICKET.

UNIVERSITY STILL FORGING AHEAD.

CIVIL SERVICE DOING WELL.

The University, who have occupied the leading position in the League Table since the early part of the season with maximum points all the time, consolidated their position over the week-end by decisively beating the Indian Recreation Club "A." They are now more favourably placed in the Shield competition than the Kowloon Cricket Club, their closest rivals, who are one point down. Both have met the Indian Recreation Club "A," but the Kowloon Cricket Club drew with the Indians. The University and Kowloon meet on Saturday, the 11th.

Three League matches were played, two in the Senior Division. The University's victory over the Indians was due to more effective play in all departments of the game. Civil Service met with unexpectedly strong opposition in the match with the Royal Artillery, the latter managing to draw the match. The Civil Servants again put up a fine batting performance and made the highest aggregate for the day. Another big individual effort has again to be recorded to them. The Royal Artillery replied strongly and earned their point. The R.A.O.C. beat the Hong Kong Electric Company in the only match of the day in the Junior Division.

LEAGUE—DIVISION I.

INDIAN R.C. "A" v. UNIVERSITY.

On their own ground, the Indian Recreation Club "A" failed against the University and lost by 82 runs.

The winners batted first and by consistent play compiled the big total of 167 runs, the chief contributors being A. A. Rumjahn (29), F. I. Zimmern (37), A. P. Guterres (33), and D. Laing (22). F. M. el Arculli did best with the ball for the Indians taking 4 wickets for 42 runs. The Indians started badly and lost their five first wickets for 3 runs only. The tail improved and helped by a useful contribution of 36 from A. R. Minu knocked up 85 runs. Lam took 3 wickets for 19 runs, while Zimmern in 4 maiden overs took 2 wickets.

Scores:—

University.

A. A. Rumjahn, c. J. S. Ackber, b A. R. Minu	29
E. A. Lee, c and b A. R. Minu	7
S. V. Gittins, b F. M. el Arculli	11
F. I. Zimmern, c A. el Arculli, b F. M. el Arculli	37
D. K. Samy, b F. M. el Arculli	4
C. W. Lam, run out	6
J. Barrow, run out	0
A. P. Guterres, run out	33
D. Laing, c S. H. Ismail, b F. M. el Arculli	22
W. H. Sling, c A. H. Rumjahn, b Suffiad	0
A. T. Lee, not out	0
Extras	12
Total	167

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. R. Minu	12	1	48	2
Curreem	4	0	23	0
F. M. el Arculli.	16.3	3	42	4
Suffiad	7	1	18	1
Ackber	1	0	5	0
A. el Arculli	3	0	10	0

Indian R.C. "A."

A. H. Rumjahn, c C. W. Lam, b A. T. Lee	0
A. el Arculli, run out	0
O. Ismail, l.b.w., b Lam	2
S. H. Ismail, run out	0
J. S. A. Curreem, c and b Lam	0
A. S. Suffiad, b Zimmern	8
A. R. Minu, c Laing, b E. A. Lee	36
J. S. Ackber, c A. T. Lee, b Zimmern	3
S. A. Ismail, b Guterres	14
A. K. Minu, not out	9
F. M. el Arculli, b Lam	1
Extras	12
Total	85

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. T. Lee	9	3	9	1
Lam	8.2	3	19	3
A. A. Rumjahn.	4	1	15	0
E. A. Lee	4	1	21	1
Guterres	5	1	9	1
Zimmern	4	4	0	2

CIVIL SERVICE v. R.A.

In a high scoring match the Civil Service Cricket Club and the Royal Artillery played a drawn game on the former's ground. A sparkling first wicket partnership between G. R. Sayer and F. J. de Rome yielded 111 runs and the Home Side eventually declared at 180 runs for 9 wickets. A big effort by Leach who made 75 enabled the Royal Artillery to reply effectively and when stumps were drawn they were 7 runs behind with one wicket to fall.

Scores:—

Civil Service C.C.

G. R. Sayer, b Musson	91
F. J. de Rome, run out	43
B. D. Evans, c Leach, b Musson	10
E. W. Hamilton, c Leach, b Musson	0
B. C. K. Hawkins, b Maddocks	0
A. R. Sutherland, c and b Maddocks	13
H. E. Strange, l.b.w., b Musson	16
F. H. Holdman, c Fogden, b Musson	0
R. S. W. Paterson, b Miller	0
W. H. Edmonds, not out	0
Extras	7
Total (for 9 wkts., dec.)	180

F. J. Ling did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Musson	17.4	2	67	5
Leach	6	0	38	0
Howard	2	0	13	0
Bennett	4	0	18	0
Bacon	3	0	15	0
Maddocks	6	1	18	2
Miller	2	0	4	1

Royal Artillery.

Miller, b Ling	4
Gnr. Maddocks, c Hamilton, b Evans	12
Sgt. Leach, b Ling	75
Lt. Musson, l.b.w., b Evans	9
Mr.-Gnr. Fogden, c Evans, b Hamilton	22
Capt. Howard, c Sayer, b Edmonds	10
B. S. M. Bennett, c Ling, b Edmonds	23
Gnr. Bacon, run out	0
Br. Hole, not out	5
Broadbridge, b Edmonds	0
Sgt. Glazebrook, not out	4
Extras	9
Total (for 9 wkts.)	173

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ling	17	2	48	2
Evans	10	0	35	2
Hamilton	8	1	35	1
Sayer	3	0	26	0
Edmonds	5	1	20	3

DIVISION II.

R.A.O.C. v. HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO.

On their own ground the R.A.O.C. beat the Hong Kong Electric Company in convincing style.

Scores:—

Electric R.C.

C. E. Gahagan, c Mocock, b Hale	3
W. N. H. Murdock, c Hale, b Lake	0
H. F. Akehurst, b Lake	0
S. Deacon, c Greenaway, b Hale	12
L. de Rome, c and b Hale	8
S. J. Stanesby, b Lake	10
J. R. Way, c Burger, b Hale	2
W. B. Muskett, st. Greenaway, b Hale	5
T. P. Saunderson, run out	0
H. S. Jones, c Bryant, b Lake	0
J. C. Dunbar, not out	0
Extras	6
Total	46

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lake	15	8	11	4
Hale	14.4	5	29	5

R.A.O.C.

Lake, b Murdock	7
Burger, b Murdock	12
Hale, c Murdock, b Way	25
Mocock, c Gahagan, b Murdock	0
Greenaway, c Akehurst, b Murdock	15
Pepper, c Stanesby, b Gahagan	17
Butterfield, not out	43
Bryant, c Stanesby, b Muskett	10
Gordon, c Stanesby, b Murdock	7
Waterfield, not out	7
Extras	18
Total (for 8 wkts.)	162

Morgan did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Muskett	9	0	42	1
Murdock	9	2	38	5
Way	10	0	39	1
Gahagan	7	3	19	1
Jones	3	1	6	0

LEAGUE TABLES.

Division I.

Clubs.	M.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
University	6	6	0	0	18
Craigengower	8	3	2	3	12
Royal Navy	6	3	1	2	11
Indian R.C. "A"	7	2	1	3	9
Civil Service	7	2	3	2	8
Kowloon C.C.	3	2	0	1	7
Chinese R.C.	6	1	3	2	5
Royal Artillery	6	1	4	1	4
Indian R.C. "B"	5	0	4	1	1

Division II.

Clubs.	M.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
University	7	7	0	0	21
R.A.O.C.	8	6	2	0	18
Recreio	6	5	1	0	15
Kowloon C.C.	6	4	1	1	13
Royal Navy	7	3	4	0	9
H.K. Electric	6	2	5	0	6
Civil Service	6	2	4	0	6
Police R.C.	7	2	5	0	6
Royal Engineers	8	2	6	0	6
H.M.S. *Tamar*	7	0	6	1	1

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

KOWLOON C.C. 2nd v. HONG KONG C.C. 2nd.

The second strings of the Hong Kong Cricket Club and the Kowloon Cricket Club played a drawn match on the latter's ground. The visitors batting first declared at 143 runs for 9 wickets, the principal contributors being W. K. Tait (45), C. P. James (18) and H. Griffin (18). Hargreaves-Brown took 4 wickets for 34 runs. Kowloon replied with 120 runs for the loss of 8 wickets when stumps were drawn. C. T. Evans was top scorer with 44 runs and B. Petheram made 22 not out. Tait was the most successful bowler taking 6 wickets for 46 runs.

POLICE R.C. v. UNIVERSITY.

On their own ground the Police Recreation Club beat the University second string by 10 runs. The visitors who batted first compiled 128 runs, to which A. Chan Fook contributed (26), A. B. Sulieman (23) and A. Baker (23). Alexander was in fine form with the ball taking 7 wickets for 61 runs. The Police replied with 138 runs. W. Williamson scored 38, A. B. Baker 30, not out and others to reach double figures were W. E. Meadows (27), C. F. Alexander (13) and A. Reynolds (11).

CRAIGENGOWER v. DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL.

The Diocesan Boys' School who are doing very well this season beat the Craigengower Cricket Club by 2 wickets. The Home team batted first and compiled 111 runs to which Fritz (retired) contributed 39 while H. P. Lim made 14, N. Mackay 10, Y. Abbas 14, and U. M. Omar 14. Anderson took 4 wickets for 34 runs and F. R. Zimmern 2 wickets for 3 runs in six balls. The Diocesan boys replied with 116 for the loss of 8 wickets. G. A. Lee was top scorer with 39 runs, not out, and W. H. Kwan contributed 25. J. L. Youngsaye (14) was the only other batsman to reach double figures.

At the conclusion of the match the Craigengower Secretary, Mr. R. Basa, presented the Diocesan Boys' School with a quantity of cricket gear, and expressed appreciation of the good form showed by the boys.

YESTERDAY'S MATCHES.

RECREIO v. VOLUNTEERS.

On the Recreio ground at King's Park, the Volunteers proved altogether too strong a combination for the Home team. Against 71 runs, they knocked up 209 runs for 8 wickets.

Scores:—

Recreio.

R. C. Reed, st. Jex, b A. Reid	2
H. M. Xavier, run out	13
H. A. Alves, b Reid	0
E. de Sousa, b Wales	3
L. J. Guterres, c Ramsyn, b Parker	0
A. P. Guterres, c Ramsay, b E. Zimmern	19
G. A. Noronha, b Parker	0
F. H. Carvalho, c Zimmern, b Lawrence	7
D. Lopes, c Reid, b Ramsay	10
A. A. Remedios, c Wales, b Lawrence	3
C. M. Sousa, not out	0
Extras	14
Total	71

Bowling:—Parker, 2 for 9; Reid, 2 for 10; Wales, 1 for 3; Zimmern, 6 for 19; Lawrence, 2 for 10; Ramsay, 1 for 3.

H.K.V.D.C.

O. Moor, c G. Noronha, b Alves	25
R. R. Davies, l.b.w., b Guterres	0
S. Jex, c Remedios, b Souza	18
A. W. Ramsay, retired	36
A. A. Dand, run out	1
C. D. Wales, b Reed	42

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YACHTING.

RE-SAIL OF CHAMPIONSHIP RACE.

SATURDAY'S EVENTS.

In connection with the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, the sixth championship race for the racing classes was re-sailed on Saturday. The race applied to those yachts in the "I" and "G" classes.

The race was won by *Joan*.

A menagerie race and a Service sailing race were also sailed, *Pierrette* winning the former, whilst H.M.S. *Seraph's* whaler won a fine race from the *Sirdar's* entry in the latter.

The results were:—

Championship Race.

Course:—Lyemun Beacon (P), Cust Rock Buoy (S), Channel Rocks (S). Distance 6.5 miles.

	Finishing Time.	Corrected Time.
Joan	4.36.44	4.30.21½
Halcyon	4.36.51	4.36.51
Viking	4.49.05	4.39.52½
Ailsa	4.40.04	4.40.04
Theela	4.53.33	4.43.58

Menagerie Race.

Course:—Channel Rocks (S), Lyemun Beacon (P), Kowloon Rock (P). Distance 6.75 miles.

	Finishing Time.	Corrected Time.
Pierrette	4.12.26	3.56.07½
Wings	4.14.47	3.59.02
Diana	4.00.29	3.59.11½
Adele	4.15.00	3.59.15
Zephyr	4.22.11	4.01.22½
Daphne	Did not finish.	

Service Race.

Course:—Channel Rocks (P), Kowloon Rock (P), Mark on Line (S), Cust Rock Buoy (S).

	Finishing Time.	Corrected Time.
H.M.S. *Seraph's* whaler (Lieut. Carey)	4.19.31	4.19.31
H.M.S. *Sirdar's* whaler (C.P.O. Kent)	4.24.15	4.24.15

F. E. Lawrence, retired 38
E. Zimmern, not out 23
A. Reid, b Reed 12
Extras 14

Total (for 8 wickets) 209

Bowling:—Guterres, 1 for 48; Sousa, 1 for 39; Alves, 1 for 63; Reed, 2 for 37.

INDIAN R.C. "B" v. UNIVEDSITY "B."

In another friendly match yesterday, the University "B" beat the Indian Recreation Club "B" easily on their opponent's ground at Sookunpoo.

Scores:—

Indian R.C.

M. P. Madar, c Karanjia, b A. Aziz	38
A. Butt, st. Chen, b Rodrigues	16
R. Nazarin, run out	9
A. S. Suffiad, retired	21
D. Mohamed, st. Chen, b Baker	10
Sirdar Khan, c Schroter, b Kermani	6
U. T. Thad, b Kermani	4
A. Rahmin, run out	0
M. R. Abbas, b Kermani	0
E. M. Malughoy, c Sulieman, b Clan Fook	7
A. M. Rumjahn, not out	1
Extras	4
Total	116

Bowling:—Kermani, 3 for 14; A. Aziz, 1 for 20; Rodrigues, 1 for 13; Baker, 1 for 17; Kermani, 3 for 14.

University.

S. R. Kermani, retired	61
H. T. M. Barma, c A. M. Rumjahn, b Madar	8
A. Chan Fook, retired	27
A. B. Sulieman, c Suffiad, b M. R. Abbas	2
S. F. Chen, b Rumjahn	8
A. Baker, b Rumjahn	2
B. H. Schroter, c and b Suffiad	25
A. Aziz, st. Butt, b Sirdar Khan	4
N. P. Karanjia, c Rumjahn, b Sirdar Khan	3
A. Rodrigues, not out	14
S. Otani, c U. T. Thad, b Suffiad	0
Extras	15
Total	169

Bowling:—Suffiad, 2 for 30; Sirdar Khan, 2 for 33; Rumjahn, 2 for 26; Madar, 1 for 26; Abbas, 1 for 10.

RAIN PREVENTS PLAY.

FIFTH TEST HELD UP.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DURBAN, Feb. 4th.

There was no play to-day in the Fifth Test Match owing to rain.

RACING NOTES.

[By RAPIER.]

With only a week to go before the opening day interest is quickening in the annual race meeting. This was evidenced by the big crowd round the rails on Saturday morning and more especially by the presence of Mr. F. B. Marshall without whom the picture would not be complete.

The Derby is the centre of attraction and Mr. Dynasty's selection continues to wear well whilst Mr. R. J. Paterson's *November* is rapidly gaining favour. Mr. Bulteel takes his mount round cannily and seems at no time to press the pony. It is certainly pretty to watch and the result is good but I should very much like to know what the pony really can do under a bit o' pressure. Anyhow Mrs. "R.J." is quite satisfied and she has very little to learn about the training of ponies. *Eliot Bay* is going well and should be well in the Champions. *City Hall* and *Town Hall* are, I understand, in rather a parlous state, and it is doubtful whether they will start at the meeting. Mr. Ho Kom Tong is rather out of luck just now but then all owners strike bad patches at some time or other.

My choice of the best dozen subs is: *O-Moon, Dumfries, Movanacher, Erstwhile, Baloo, Kaa, Fair Eyes, Ploughman, Loch Tar, Northern Stag, Skipper, Brown Jug.* Subs need a lot of watching as they change so quickly. When *Dumfries* came down his reception was by no means cordial.

"His Owner was not pleased to see him,
He looked like an underfed cow,
The whole thing seemed so d—d silly,
But look at the bally thing now."

The few crumbs of information I picked up on the rails are given below. All the gallops were on the sand track.

Movanagher, ¾ mile:—33.2; 1.05; 1.38.2. Last quarter 33.2.

Coos Bay, ¾ mile:—36; 1.10.1; 1.44. Last quarter 33.4.

Winsome Stag, 1¼ miles:—35; 1.12.1; 1.48.2; 2.21.3; 2.52. Last quarter 30.2.

Bing Boy, 1 mile:—36.4; 1.12.4; 1.47; 2.18.3. Last quarter 31.3.

Montery Bay, 1¼ miles:—37; 1.12; 1.47.2; 2.20.3; 2.53. Last quarter 32.2.

Heir Apparent, 1¼ miles:—40.2; 1.20.3; 2.01; 2.36.4; 3.10.3; 3.44; 4.15.3. Last quarter 31.3.

November, 1¼ miles:—37; 1.12.1; 1.46.2; 2.19.2; 2.51.3. Last quarter 32.1.

Bakers Bay, 1¼ miles:—36.2; 1.10.4; 1.46.1; 2.20; 2.52.2. Last quarter 32.2.

Skipper:—40.2; 1.19.4; 1.55.3; 2.29.3. Last quarter 34.

Sitting Bull, 1¼ miles:—35.3; 1.12.3; 1.46.4; 2.22; 2.53.2. Last quarter 31.2.

Eliot Bay, 1¼ miles:—35.2; 1.09; 1.43; 2.14.1; 2.45. Last quarter 30.4.

Festive Eve, 1 mile:—41; 1.19; 1.56.4; 2.30. Last quarter 33.1.

Deep Water Bay, 1¼ miles:—37.3; 1.15; 1.51; 2.26.2; 3.02; 3.35.2. Last quarter 33.2.

Brown Jug, ¾ mile:—37; 1.12; 1.45.4.

Young Pretender, 1¼ miles:—43.2; 1.20; 1.59; 2.30; 3.01. Last quarter 31.

Bay of Greenland, ¾ mile:—37; 1.13; 1.51. Last quarter 38.

Fair Eyes, ¾ mile:—40; 1.16.2; 1.49. Last quarter 32.3.

HOCKEY.

UNIVERSITY 1ST XI. v. PUNJABIS II.

To-day at 5 p.m. on the 'Varsity ground:—Messrs. P. L. Tan, M. B. Osman, A. A. Rumjahn, P. C. Bim, K. T. Loke, Y. C. Teh, G. E. Yeoh, K. P. Gan, C. K. Ong, C. W. Lam and V. Enok.

TWO WINS FOR WALES.

RUGGER AND SOCCER IN THE MUD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BELFAST, Feb. 4th.

Thirty thousand spectators watched the international soccer match here when Wales beat Ireland by 2 goals to 1. The going was very heavy.

MURRAYFIELD, Feb. 4th.

It was raining at Murrayfield and the ground was very soft when Wales beat Scotland in the Rugger international by 13-0. 50,000 people watched the game.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

CHINA ATHLETIC AND SCOTS GUARDS DRAW AGAIN.

KEEN GAME BETWEEN QUEEN'S AND KOWLOON.

The following are the results of games played in the Hong Kong League on Saturday:—

Division I.

Scots Guards 0, China Athletic 0.
Kowloon F.C. 4, Queen's Regt. 3.
K.O.S.B.s 2, Hong Kong F.C. 0.
South China 0, R.A.F. 0.

Division II. "A."

St. Joseph's 6, S. China "A" 2.
R.A. Reserves 4, S. China "B" 0.
K.O.S.B.s Reserves 1, China Athletic Reserves 1.
Kowloon Reserves 1, University 1.

Division II. "B."

South China "A" v. Kung Woo and Kowloon "B" v. St. Joseph's Reserves. These matches were not played, South China and St. Joseph's failed to turn out.

NOTES ON THE GAMES.

Hong Kong F.C. v. K.O.S.B.'s.

This game was played on the H.K.F.C. ground and ended in a win for the K.O.S.B.'s. The first half was in favour of the K.O.S.B.'s although the Club lost a couple of chances to score. Stewart was at back for the Club, while Scott came in at left half. Smith should have given the Club the lead but he turned the ball just outside the post with Anderson out of position. Rodger had a few shots to deal with but on the whle, shooting was erratic. Halftime, no score.

In the second half Davey and Everest kept the Club attack well in hand and Alexander scored both goals for the winners. The Club broke away and Simpson had a good opening but sent straight to Anderson. In the next minute Smith had an open goal but was slow and Gardiner cleared. The Club re-shuffled their team but this failed to improve it. The K.O.S.B.'s deserved their win.

Scots Guards v. China Athletic.

On the Garrison ground at Sookunpoo, The Scots Guards again checked the China Athletic and played them to a goalless draw.

Jackson did well in goal for the Guards and Johnstone and Hurst played a hard game, Johnstone (Capt.) having the brunt of the work against a dangerous wing. Caraswell was in great form, holding Suen and Chan on the left. Scott made an ideal pivot and plied his forwards with neat passes. The Guards forwards played a strong game, McNiven and Aird being prominent. Smith sent in several shots but Pau Ka Ping was safe in goal. Wong Pak Chong led the Athletic attack in great style, but the inside forwards, Suen Kum Shum and Lai Wai Koon were not so effective as usual. Tso did well on the wing and placed well from corner kicks. The Guards had the advantage with the ball in the air, their headwork being very accurate. Lai Wai Koon had the best chance to score throughout the game but handled inside the goal area. Lai Yuk Tat and Ng Kum Chuen played a great game in the second half, Ng's tackling and clearing being very neat.

On the run of the play, the result is a good reflex, both sides giving a good exhibition. This is the second time that the Guards have drawn with the Athletic this season and incidentally they are the only two points that the Athletic have dropped to date.

The crowd on the Garrison ground must have been a record one. The stands were full to capacity, while thousands packed the South goal end and Caroline Hill.

South China v. R.A.F.

This game was played on the Caroline Hill ground, before a handful of spectators. South China were early attacking but shooting was wild. A free kick against Leung Wing Tak sent Robbins in but his shot went wide. Armitage later met a centre from Robbins but ballooned over the bar. South China took up the attack but failed to beat Avery.

The second half opened with the R.A.F. attacking but Li Tin Sang cleared. South China were kicking to clear and had little chance of scoring in this half. Good goalkeeping by Chen Yuk Kwan kept the R.A.F. out. The final whistle sounding with the score sheet blank.

Kowloon v. Queen's Regiment.

A good crowd turned out to witness this game on the Railway ground between Kowloon and the Queen's Regt. The match was very keenly contested and the honours went to Northey, the Navy player,

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GOLF.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

1st ROUND WINNERS.

The following are the winners in the 1st round of the Junior Championship, which had to be completed yesterday:—

D. J. Gilmore beat A. Leach.
B. D. Evans beat D. Forbes.
E. Grimble beat T. C. Monaghan.
Major Lynch beat J. H. Little.
C. L. Sandes beat A. D. Humphreys.
S. T. Butlin beat A. K. Henderson.
F. Cowherd beat N. K. Littlejohn.
D. G. Bruce beat H. G. Hegarty.

The second round must be played on or before February 12.

THE WARATAHS.

ROUSING SEND-OFF.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 3rd.

The New South Wales Rugby football team, known as the Waratahs, having completed their tour in this country, left Tedolington to-day to embark at Liverpool for Canada.

They had a rousing send-off from a large crowd of English Rugby footballers including Admiral Royds, President of the Rugby Union and Mr. C. C. Wakefield, the old English Captain.

who beat the Queen's off his own boot. Kermack replaced Tierman at inside right for Kowloon. A fast shot from Barclay left Angus standing and gave the Queen's an early lead. Kowloon were knocking at the Queen's door and when Northey sent in a fast low shot it was opened. The Queen's took the lead again, Caldicott converting a penalty. Another rush by Kowloon gave Northey an opening and he netted with a fine shot amidst applause.

Opening the second half two goals all, both team played bright crisp football, the ball travelling up and down the field. Herridge beat Angus and gave the Queen's the lead for the third time in the game. Muir drew the defence and with Northey unmarked slipped the ball to him and the centre banged it into the net. The score was now three all but McKelvie started a movement which ended in Kowloon taking the lead for the first time, Northey putting on the finishing touches necessary to beat Rowbottom in the Queen's goal. With the end near, the Queen's made a final effort and Barclay was almost through when Wheeler nipped in and cleared. A clean sporting game ending in a win for Kowloon by four goals to three.

Kowloon Reserves v. University.

The Students surprised the Kowloon team on the Railway ground by taking a point from them in a very fast game. After a shot from Jap had hit the crossbar, Braga took the rebound and flashed the ball into the net giving Nicholls no chance.

Eastman scored for Kowloon, the goal being somewhat a lucky one for Edwards who had kept a good goal was well placed to receive the shot but Scully crossed over and deflected the ball well out of Edwards' reach. Result; one all.

China Athletic Res. v. K.O.S.B.'s Res.

Played on the Garrison ground at Sookunpoo before a large crowd and ended in a draw of a goal all. The Athletic are the first to hold the K.O.S.B.'s who had not previously dropped a point this season. Toal gave the K.O.S.B.'s the lead in the opening minute of the game and for the next sixty-nine minutes the Athletic put their backs to the wall. Chan Shui Hon scored for the Athletic and the teams crossed over level.

The second half was a ding dong struggle, both goals having narrow escapes. When the final whistle sounded the score was one goal all.

South China "A" v. St. Joseph's.

Playing at home, South China went down to St. Joseph's by six goals to two. The teams lined up with St. Joseph's fielding ten men only. Smith gave the College an early lead and Leonard soon put on the second. Further goals were scored in the first half by Ward (2) and Smith, while Chui Wah Kam scored for South China. The second half was more evenly contested each side scoring once Leonard for St. Joseph's and Chui Wah Kam again netting for South China.

R.A. Res. v. South China "B."

Played on the St. Joseph's ground, the Gunners got home by four clear goals. After playing a blank first half, the R.A. settled down to business and Gill opened the score. McDonald put on the second and Davey the third. Before the final whistle sounded, McDonald scored again, the result being, R.A. 4, South China "B" 0.

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS.

EVERTON AND CHELSEA BEATEN.

FOURTH ROUND OF THE SCOTTISH CUP.

The fourth round of the Scottish Cup was played on Saturday and the sixteen matches arranged all took place, the only change in the programme was that Hearts played Forres Mechanics at home instead of away. Two games were drawn and decisions in the remainder were divided between home teams and visitors.

Nine first division Scottish League teams were engaged with outside teams and all won their matches. In matches in which League teams played each other, Motherwell and Raith Rovers drew at two goals each, Rangers defeated Cowdenbeath by four goals to two, and the Airdrieonians got the better of Hamilton by the odd goal in three. Dundee and Dundee United played to a draw of three goals each. Hearts secured the largest number of goals, 7-0, against their visitors. Celtic (last season's winners) won 6-1 against Keith.

All divisions in the English League had a full programme of matches. Everton, leaders in Division I., met a reverse in their match with Huddersfield, and the latter are now dangerous rivals for the premier position. Chelsea's stay at the top of the table in Division II. was short-lived, as they went down to West Bromwich and had to drop to second place on goal average. Manchester City drew with Notts Forest and went to the top on goal average. Leaders in Division III. still retain their places. Home teams again secured most of the victories and scored more goals than usual.

Results of matches in the Scottish Cup and the English League, as cabled by *Reuter*, are given below, and the tables show the position to date.

THE SCOTTISH CUP.

The Second Round.

Forfar 1, Kilmarnock 2.
Hearts 7, Forres. Mechs. 0.
St. Mirren 5, Vale of Athol 1.
Dundee U. 3, Dundee 3.
Dunfermline 3, Leith Ams. 1.
Partick 4, Nithsdale 0.
Stenhousemuir 1, Alloa 2.
Ayr 2, Kilkirk 4.
Armadale 2, King's Park 4.
Motherwell 2, Raith 2.
Rangers 4, Cowdenbeath 2.
Airdrieonians 2, Hamilton 1.
Queen's Park 4, Morton 1.
Brechin City 1, Albion 4.
Third Lanark 0, Hibernians 2.
Keith 1, Celtic 6.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Arsenal 3, Derby 4.
Birmingham 2, Blackburn 1.
Burnley 3, Sunderland 0.
Bury 0, Aston Villa 0.
Huddersfield 4, Everton 1.
Leicester 6, Portsmouth 2.
Liverpool 1, West Ham 3.
Middlesbro' 2, Bolton 5.
Newcastle 2, Cardiff 0.
Wednesday 3, Sheffield U. 3.
Tottenham 4, Manchester U. 1.

Division II.

Bristol C. 2, Blackpool 2.
Clapton O 2, Barnsley 0.
Fulham 7, Wolves 0.
Hull 3, Leeds 1.
Manchester C. 3, Notts. Forest 3.
Notts. County 2, Oldham 1.
Preston N.E. 7, St. Shields 2.
Southampton 5, Grimsby 0.
Stoke 4, Reading 1.
Swansea 2, Port Vale 0.
West Brom 3, Chelsea 0.

Division III. (Southern).

Coventry 1, Merthyr 2.
Crystal Pal. 6, Bournemouth 1.
Exeter 0, Brighton 3.
Gillingham 2, Walsall 0.
Luton 3, Watford 2.
Millwall 3, Brentford 0.
Newport 1, Plymouth 1.
Norwich 3, Northants 4.
Queen's Park 3, Chalton 3.
Swindon 2, Bristol R. 1.
Torquay 3, Southend 3.

Division III. (Northern).

Accrington 3, Ashington 1.
Bradford 6, Tranmere 2.
Chesterfield 1, Stockport 1.
Durham 3, Nelson 0.
Hartlepools 4, Crewe 3.
Lincoln 5, Halifax 2.
New Brighton 1, Bradford C. 1.
Rotherham 2, Doncaster 1.
Southport 3, Rochdale 1.
Wigan 0, Darlington 3.
Wrexham 5, Barrow 0.

GOALS AND WINS.

Division I.

Home Teams, 30; Away Teams, 20; Total, 50. Home Wins, 6; Away Wins, 3; Drawn Matches, 2.

Division II.

Home Teams, 40; Away Teams, 10; Total, 50. Home Wins, 9; Away Wins, 0; Drawn Matches, 2.

Division III. (Southern).

Home Teams, 27; Away Teams, 20; Total, 47. Home Wins, 5; Away Wins, 3; Drawn Matches, 3.

Division III. (Northern).

Home Teams, 33; Away Teams, 15; Total, 48. Home Wins, 8; Away Wins, 1; Drawn Matches, 2.

Grand Totals.

Home Teams, 130; Away Teams, 65; Grand Total, 195. Home Wins, 28; Away Wins, 7; Drawn Matches, 9.

LEAGUE TABLES.

The English League Tables and Scottish League Table (Division I.), up to and including matches completed on Saturday, are appended:

DIVISION I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Everton	27	14	7	6	71	43	35
Huddersfield	28	16	4	7	67	43	34
Leicester	28	13	7	8	66	46	33
Newcastle	27	11	7	9	57	53	29
Cardiff	28	10	8	8	44	46	28
Burnley	27	10	8	12	55	60	28
Bolton	25	11	5	9	52	39	27
Tottenham	26	11	5	10	53	55	27
Blackburn	27	9	9	9	39	40	27
Arsenal	25	10	6	9	53	54	26
Liverpool	26	9	8	9	58	51	26
Bury	27	12	2	13	47	52	26
Sunderland	25	9	7	9	47	47	25
Derby	26	9	7	10	63	60	25
West Ham	26	11	3	12	56	63	25
Sheffield U.	27	9	7	11	50	59	25
Middlesbro'	27	8	8	11	57	59	24
Aston Villa	26	9	5	12	49	52	23
Manch Un.	26	9	5	12	42	50	23
Birmingham	26	6	11	9	42	52	23
Portsmouth	26	7	6	13	42	68	20
Wednesday	26	5	9	12	47	57	19

DIVISION II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Manch. City	26	17	4	5	67	39	38
Chelsea	26	16	6	4	50	25	38
Preston	26	15	6	5	60	37	36
Leeds Un.	27	16	4	7	69	35	36
Stoke	26	14	5	7	50	37	33
Oldham	26	13	6	7	52	32	32
Notts For	25	12	5	8	61	47	29
West Brom.	27	11	7	9	63	52	29
Bristol C.	27	11	6	10	53	47	28
Hull City	25	9	9	7	32	34	27
Swansea	26	11	5	10	53	49	27
Grimsby	26	9	8	9	44	35	26
Port Vale	25	11	2	12	14	39	24
Notts C.	26	8	7	11	44	49	23
Barnsley	27	8	7	12	44	59	23
Clapton	26	9	4	13	41	60	22
Reading	26	7	6	13	39	56	20
South'pton	27	7	6	14	44	54	20
Blackpool	28	7	6	15	53	72	20
Fulham	26	7	5	14	50	63	19
Wolves	26	6	5	15	40	67	17
S. Shields	26	2	5	19	37	82	9

DIVISION III. (SOUTH).

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Millwall	26	18	3	5	81	37	39
Northants	24	15	4	5	66	40	34
Exeter	24	11	9	4	44	30	31
Plymouth	26	14	4	8	58	38	32
Swindon	21	12	5	4	57	38	29
Brighton	26	12	5	9	54	49	29
Charlton	27	9	10	4	37	36	28
Q.P.R.	25	11	6	8	40	32	28
Newport	25	10	7	8	46	43	27
Southend	23	11	2	10	43	42	24
Crystal Pal.	24	8	8	8	43	48	24
Bournm'th	25	9	6	10	45	48	24
Brentford	27	10	3	14	50	56	23
Gillingham	23	7	7	9	38	43	21
Bristol Rov	26	9	3	14	49	62	21
Norwich	25	7	6	12	50	52	20
Coventry	25	8	4	13	45	59	20
Merthyr	26	6	8	12	38	54	20
Torquay	25	5	8	12	32	64	18
Walsall	26	7	4	15	37	67	18
Watford	25	6	5	14	42	64	17
Luton	24	6	4	14	55	58	16

DIVISION III. (NORTH).

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Bradford	27	19	6	2	71	27	44
Doncaster	26	17	4	5	59	22	38
Stockport	26	15	4	7	50	32	34
Lincoln	27	14	4	9	55	52	32
Tranmere	24	12	6	6	57	37	30
Wrexham	25	13	3	9	44	35	29
Darlington	25	12	4	9	53	37	28
Halifax	26	10	8	8	50	41	28
Accrington	26	10	8	8	49	41	28
Hartlepools	28	11	5	12	48	53	27
Bradford C.	26	8	10	8	44	42	26
Rochdale	24	12	1	11	51	52	25
Southport	24	11	2	11	52	43	24
Chesterfield	27	8	8	11	44	51	24
N.Brighton	23	8	6	9	42	36	22
Rotherham	24	8	6	10	41	41	22
Durham	27	8	5	14	38	62	21
Crewe	25	6	7	12	46	57	19
Ashington	27	6	7	14	41	71	19
Nelson	25	7	3	15	47	77	17
Wigan	27	5	5	17	31	66	15
Barrow	27	4	6	17	31	78	14

SCOTTISH LEAGUE: (DIVISION I.)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Rangers	25	19	4	2	80	25	42
Motherwell	26	16	6	4	67	32	38
Celtic	25	15	7	3	66	23	37
Hearts	26	15	4	7	64	35	34
St. Mirren	26	14	3	9	53	55	31
Kilmarnock	26	11	8	7	49	51	30
Aberdeen	27	13	3	11	51	49	29
Falkirk	26	13	2	11	52	42	28
Partick	26	11	5	10	62	49	27
Cowdenbeath	26	11	5	10	46	49	27
Hibernians	26	10	6	10	53	47	26
St. Johnstone	27	10	6	11	49	52	26
Airdrie	26	7	9	10	41	51	23
Dundee	26	9	4	13	43	59	22
Queen's Pk.	26	8	5	13	48	53	21
Hamilton	26	7	4	15	46	60	18
Clyde	26	7	4	15	34	60	18
Raith R.	25	6	5	14	43	63	17
Bo'ness	25	6	2	17	30	64	14
Dunfermline	26	4	2	20	21	89	10

LAWN TENNIS.

H.K.C.C. TOURNAMENT.

POORER ENTRIES.

LEADING PLAYERS ENTERED.

[BY HOLLYWOOD.]

Entries for the Annual Lawn Tennis Tournament of the Hong Kong Cricket Club closed on Saturday and below will be found the names of those who have entered for the principal events, viz., Open Singles and Open Doubles Championships of the Colony, Club Singles and Mixed Doubles Handicap. From enquiries at the Hong Kong Cricket Club yesterday, I gathered a few more names of competitors for the Championship Events and also heard that there were ten unopened letters containing entries for the Tournament. The following lists cannot therefore be taken as complete, but it will be possible to give the remainder tomorrow. Even taking the late entries into consideration, the entries show a marked decrease in every event, but it is gratifying to note that all the leading players have entered. Last year's semi-finalists in the Open Singles, Ng Sze Kwong, H. D. Rumjahn, T. Honda and S. A. Rumjahn are in, while a good many strong pairs are in the competition for the Open Doubles. Interesting entries are those of Major Stevenson and Major Lucae, H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn, and R. Hancock and Dr. Tottenham.

The following table shows entries during the past three years:—

	1926.	1927.	1928.
Open Singles	61	53	40
Open Doubles	43	34	30
Club Singles	35	32	21
Mixed Doubles	19	19	12

The entries follow:—

OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE COLONY.

HONG KONG CLUB (8):—A. D. Humphreys, S. E. Green, D. S. Green, Major C. Willson, Dr. D. J. Valentine, R. P. Lonsdale, A. H. Crook, Very Rev. Alfred Swann.

M.B.K. (6):—T. Akiyama, T. Honda, T. Yamada and H. Yoshida, T. Ema, N. Inagaki.

NIPPON CLUB:—F. Sajiki, T. Isomura and T. Fujieda.

CHINESE R.C.:—Ng Sze Kwong, Ho Ka Lau, Yew Man Kit, Cheng Chi Wing and Ng Sze Cheung.

RECREIO:—F. J. Remedios and J. M. da Silva.

UNIVERSITY:—K. T. San, Cheong Tuck Wing and Lim Peng Chin.

KOWLOON C.C.:—E. C. Fincher.

U.S.R.C.:—Major W. B. Stevenson, Lieut. Hale and V. M. Treagear.

INDIAN R.C.:—S. A. Rumjahn, H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain.

OTHER CLUBS:—Luk Ding Cheung (S.C.A.A.), E. W. Railton (K.B.S. F.P.A.), A. Trambitzky and H. R. Trumper (R.E.), J. S. Cassumbhoy and I. A. Radack (Craigengower).

OPEN DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE COLONY.

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB:—C. H. Bradley and Major C. Willson, A. D. Humphreys and C. P. F. James, S. E. Green and D. S. Green, G. C. Grove and A. H. Crook, R. M. Henderson and A. Brearley, Dr. D. J. Valentine and Dr. I. Newton.

M.B.K.:—T. Honda and T. Akiyama, T. Yamada and H. Yoshida, T. Ena and N. Inagaki, S. Fukushima and T. Fujimori.

U.S.R.C.:—G. F. H. Bichard and Lieut. Waters, Major W. B. Stevenson and Major R. H. Lucas, Surg. Comdr. H. Hurst and Dr. Craig, Lieut. Hale and Lieut.-Comdr. North, V. M. Tregear and J. B. Kealy.

CHINESE R.C.:—Ng Sze Kwong and Ng Sze Cheung, Ho Ka Lau and Yew Man Kit.

SOUTH CHINA A.A.:—Luk King Cheung and Luk Ding Cheung, Wai T. Lee and Woon T. Lee, Ho Wai Hing and Chan So.

NIPPON CLUB:—F. Sajiki and T. Isomura, T. Fujieda and Y. Hachiuma.

INDIAN R.C.:—H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn, S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain.

UNIVERSITY:—K. T. San and Cheong Tuck Wing, Lim Peng Chin and A. A. Rumjahn.

KOWLOON C.C.:—E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher.

RECREIO:—F. J. Remedios and J. Silva.

OTHERS:—R. Hancock and Dr. Tottenham, E. W. Railton and A. Trambitzky.

CLUB SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

G. F. H. Bichard, W. D. Fiddes Wilson, A. D. Humphreys, S. E. Green, J. Barrow, H. Owen Hughes, H. R. Remington, G. C. Grove, W. M. Lyons, J. G. Laurie, R. M. Henderson, Dr. D. J. Valentine, R. P. Lonsdale, G. Miskin, A. H. Crook, Major W. B. Stevenson, J. C. Henry, Lieut. J. W. H. Healing, U. C. Stark, W. B. Cornaby and G. W. Sewell.

(*Continued on next Column.*)

THE DAVIS CUP DRAW.

MATCHES IN EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN ZONES.

BYE FOR CHINA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, Feb. 3rd.

The complete draw for the Davis Cup Competition is as follows:—

European Zone: 1st Round:

Australia *v.* Italy.
Rumania *v.* Belgium.
Germany *v.* Greece.
Chili *v.* Spain.
Jugo-Slavia *v.* Finland.
Argentine *v.* Britain.
Hungary *v.* Norway.
Ireland *v.* Holland.
Poland *v.* Denmark.
Philippines *v.* Austria.
South Africa *v.* Sweden.

2nd Round.

India *v.* Switzerland.
Portugal *v.* New Zealand.
Czecho-Slovakia *v.* winners of South Africa and Sweden.

American Zone: 1st Round.

Cuba *v.* Japan.
United States *v.* Mexico.

2nd Round.

Canada *v.* winners of Cuba and Japan.
China *v.* winners of United States and Mexico.

WEIRD CHINESE MEDICINE.

DAGGER AS TIN OPENER.

SINGAPORE, Jan. 28th.

A dagger and the horn of a mountain goat from China were exhibits in a case heard before Mr. N. D. Mudie, in the District Court yesterday afternoon, when a Chinese, Pen Koon, was charged with being in possession of a dagger without a licence.

Mr. E. Tongue, A.S.P. in charge of the Marine Station, said that on the night of January 7th, he went to the accused's house at 225, Telok Ayer Street. In one of the rooms of the house, the accused produced the key which opened a drawer in a writing desk, in which the dagger was found.

In answer to Mr. Braddell, the accused said that the horn was valued at about $30. The dagger was used by his wife to scrape the inside of the horn, a kitchen knife being too blunt. Scrapings from the horn were used by the Chinese as a medicine.

When boiled for about half an hour, the scrapings taken with hot water were very cooling for people suffering from fever. His wife also used the dagger for opening tins.

The accused was convicted and fined $5.

PRINCE GEORGE ESCAPES IN MOTOR ACCIDENT.

CAR SKIDS, HITS A BANK, AND OVERTURNS.

Prince George, who recently celebrated his 25th birthday had a narrow escape while motoring near Sandringham, where he is spending the Christmas holidays.

He was travelling in the dark with his valet and chauffeur, and when outside Hillington the car skidded violently, struck a bank on the near side and overturned into the roadway.

Prince George, apart from a shaking, escaped unhurt, and was able to climb out of the car.

The chauffeur and valet also escaped without injury.

In response to a telephone message another car was sent from Sandringham, and Prince George was able to join the King and Queen little the worse for his mishap.

A breakdown party from King's Lynn was despatched to bring in the Prince's car, which was found to be seriously damaged. The screens were smashed and the wood work badly damaged.

MIXED DOUBLES HANDICAP.

Mrs. C. P. F. James and A. D. Humphreys, T. G. and Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. L. G. Heard and S. E. Green, R. K. and Mrs. Valentine, Mrs. Remington and H. Owen Hughes, G. C. and Mrs. Grove, Mrs. C. Blaker and G. Miskin, Miss Wentworth and A. H. Crook, Mrs. W. Woodward and C. W. E. Bishop, C. C. and Mrs. Stark, Mrs. Armstrong and G. W. Sewell, G. R. and Mrs. Sayer.

U.S.R.C. TOURNAMENT.

FINALS OF TWO EVENTS.

The Finals of the Ladies' Singles Handicap and Mixed Doubles Championship of the United Services Recreation Club Tournament were decided on the Club's courts at Kowloon on Saturday, as arranged. They proved particularly attractive and a large number of spectators turned up to watch the matches.

The results were as follows:—

Mixed Doubles Championship:—Dr. and Mrs. Tottenham beat Major Lucas and Mrs. Grimble, 6-2, 6-4.

Ladies' Singles Handicap:—Miss Luard (scr.) beat Mrs. Thorp (rec. 2/6) 6-2, 6-2.

CINEMA NEWS.

"THE WINNING OF BARBARA WORTH."

A FINE FILM AT THE WORLD.

THE PROGRAMME FOR THIS WEEK.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

"The Winning of Barbara Worth," a remarkably fine picture of the harnessing of the Colorado River, is showing at the World to-day. Ronald Coleman and Vilma Banky take the leading rôles. These two stars always act well together. They were at their best in "The Dark Angel" but in "Barbbara Worth" they do not fall far short of that standard. The picture, with its magnificent scenes of the desert, and the opportunity it offers for quick action and displays of horsemanship, is interesting apart from the love story of the two stars.

Enormous stretches of country side such as you see in this film can be used with great pictoral and emotional effect, and they have besides a tonic effect on the mind of the spectator. You feel refreshed after seeing "Barbara Worth" simply because you have been in spirit living in the open spaces where Barbara's story unfolds.

The flood scenes are particularly well staged and are convincing without being unnecessarily terrible. Despite the tale of wrecked homes which it leaves behind it, you cannot but exult with the waters as they break through their man-made prison and sweep over the land, tossing houses like boxes and trees like twigs upon the crest of their waves.

"The Gaucho."

Special times have been arranged for "The Gaucho," Douglas Fairbanks' new picture, which begins a run of five days at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow. These special times are 2.30, 5.00, 7.15 and 9.30, and the picture begins promptly after the overture.

Fairbanks plays the part of a bandit chief, riding the countryside at the head of his troop, taking town after town. Lupe Velez who takes the big feminine rôle is a newcomer to the films of quite astonishing talent.

Last Day Of "Ben Hur."

The famous film, "Ben Hur," which cost £600,000 to produce, is being screened at the Queen's Theatre for the last time to-day after a record run. The chariot race is the biggest thrill ever screened, you see forty-eight horses—twelve teams—start abreast in the mad dash over the seven laps of the Antioch Race Course, and you cannot forbear a cheer as Ben Hur wrecks Messala and forges to the front. The fight between Roman and Pirate navies in the Mediterranean is very nearly as exciting. From the exquisite Madonna to the Last Supper and the Procession of Palms, several masterpieces of art are re-enacted, often in colour. The love story of Esther and Ben Hur is admirably co-ordinated with the spectacular parts, and with the sacred story which is shown with dignity and reverence. Among the leading actors are Ramon Novarro in the title rôle, Francis X. Bushman as Messala, May McAvoy as Esther, Betty Bronson as the Madonna, Carmel Myers as Iras, with 150,000 others to support them.

PROGRAMME FOR THE WEEK.

Queen's.

To-day: "Ben Hur." To-morrow till Saturday: "The Gaucho." Next Sunday to Tuesday: "Two Arabian Knights," a delightful fantasy of the war.

World.

To-day: "The Winning of Barbara Worth." To-morrow and Wednesday: "The Irresistable Lover," which, with Norman Kerry and Lois Moran made a great hit at the Queen's last Sunday. Thursday to Saturday: "Blarney," Renée Adorée and Ralph Graves in a story of bare knuckle boxing.

Star.

To-day: Bébé Daniels in a light hearted comedy "The Palm Beach Girl." Tuesday and Wednesday: Rudolphe Valentino in a fine adventure story "The Eagle." Thursday to Saturday: "The Man Upstairs," a mystery story by the author of "The Chinese Parrot."

ARE THERE ANY LETTERS FOR YOU?

POSTE RESTANTE CORRESPONDENCE, FEBRUARY 4TH.

J. B. Affleck, T. Brown (Denis Murray & Co.), E. A. Barbour & Co., E. Brune, H. Besbjerg, I. A. H. Brown, Mrs. G. M. Braita, Mrs. C. R. Callender, Mrs. R. G. Cumming, Capt. A. G. Corbin, H. F. H. Derry, R. A. Donaldson, E. Dubrovay, A. Dubois, L. de Dionigi, C. H. Edwards (c/o Crossley, Ltd.), Mr. Felikobsky, V. Filinoff, Mons. Guillot, I. Goldenberg, C. F. Gerstin, Capt. E. Goodman, J. K. Geolmell, W. J. Hanson, E. Henke, Gabriel Kron, Kwok Su, Mrs. H. Vander Linde (Salvation Army), Mrs. Leeds, Mrs. T. A. McLaren (c/o D. McLaren), R. Meon, J. A. Ogden, W. Owen, Mons. Ostroumoff, C. E. Park, Miss E. L. Patten, R. Palmer, Miss E. M. Pye, Mr. Petroff, A. V. Pinson, Bill Peterson, Miss A. Platt, Dr. A. Richardson, O. H. Ricter, Mrs. M. Riggs, R. D. Sangster, Mrs. D. F. Stevenson, Mrs. H. Stratton, J. Sanchey, M. A. Sofaer, Vim Summers, Robert Tom, K. Vogel, Wong Sing Woon, Wallace Weir, H. W. Welman, E. A. Yates.

Unpaid Correspondence.

H. Charence (c/o American Consulate), Mr. and Mrs. Edith Jackson, W. S. Leonard (H.K. Hotel), T. E. Laurence, Dr. C. M. Lee (Episcopal Hospital), Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mayger.

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Yathin	Manida.
2359 0589	Canton.
Munchung Chutkuto	Batavia.
Chunghonkwan	*Emp. of Asia.*
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0068 3166	Swatow.

BANKRUPT'S BIG AIM.

£10,000 ESTATE AND A CASTLE.

A bankrupt's plans to obtain a castle in Wales and a £10,000 estate in Scotland were related at Bath Quarterly Sessions, where James Pitchford, aged 57, a dairyman, of Bath and Colerne, Wiltshire, formerly of Shrewsbury, was sentenced to 20 months' hard labour for a series of offences under the Bankruptcy Acts. He pleaded guilty, and one offence was obtaining credit for £2,200 without disclosing he was an undischarged bankrupt from Captain Herbert William Nicholls.

It was stated that in 1926 he obtained possession of Duncombe Farm, Colerne, from Captain Nicholls without paying one penny.

Another offence was obtaining £500 from a young man named Leslie William Collyer at Colerne.

Chief Inspector Hembury said Pitchford, who had been sentenced twice for perjury, set out to buy a £10,000 estate in Scotland and 2,000 acres of shooting rights in Merioneth.

He got Mr. Poole, secretary of Freshwater Conservative Club, to witness his signature to what Mr. Poole thought was a document relating to the Merioneth shooting rights but which proved to be a document for the purchase of Newport Castle, Monmouth.

At present Pitchford was in possession of five lots of property—Duncombe Farm, a villa in Bath, a dairy shop in Bath, a large farm in Suffolk, and a house in Clifton. From a Miss King he obtained £600. The charges before the court were only a small number of what could have been brought.

AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

THE DEAN AND "SEVERAL PROBLEMS."

In the February issue of *St. John's Cathedral Notes*, the Very Rev. Alfred Swann, M.A., D.S.C., Dean of St. John's Cathedral, writes his first message to the congregation, he says, *inter-alia*:—

Mrs. Swann and I want to thank Hong Kong Church people once more for the very kindly welcome you have given us, at the Cathedral and at St. Peter's, and also at St. Andrew's, Kowloon. I hope that you will feel able to back us up in the future as you have done at the outset of my work here.

It has taken me a very short time to see the magnitude and difficulty of my undertaking. Your support, especially while I am still strange to all the conditions, will mean a great deal to me.

Several problems quite new to me clearly have to be faced. The outstanding one, as far as the development of the Cathedral services is concerned, is that of transport; and I can see that it affects all Church people almost as much as it does myself. Attendance at Holy Communion is the main difficulty under this head. It is a great pity that the Church's principle service should be the least accessible. I am sure that that fact must be a handicap to Church life and work here.

I hope that it may be possible to arrange that those who care to may get breakfast at the Cathedral Hall each Sunday. There seems to be a large number of people who go out for the day on Sundays. Some of these might like to start the day with Communion and breakfast together, others who come at 11 a.m. might come early more often if the breakfast problem were solved. I am making enquiries about this, and should like to start it in Lent.

The transport problem also affects my getting to know people. I am having a box for cards, etc., put up outside the Cathedral Hall; this should help.

Please notice that in future there will be Matins daily at 10.15 a.m., and that, in addition to Evensong on Wednesdays at 6.30 p.m., there will be Evensong at that time on all Saints' Days and Holy Days.

You will want me to thank the Rev. W. R. Cannell for all he has done during his year or so of work in the Colony. He leaves us on Saturday, February 11th, to reconnoitre his work in the interior.

The Rev. H. V. Koop, the first of the two permanent Assistant Chaplains whom we need, will have arrived by the time this is in your hands. His wife comes with him, and I hope that you will make them both as welcome as you did Mrs. Swann and myself. By the kindness of the Rev. A. D. Stewart and Mrs. Stewart, there is a temporary home available in their flat at St. Paul's College Hostel.

We are badly in need of more men for the Choir. I have received the names of four recruits but we want many more than that.

A KING'S WHITE TOP-HAT.

RECEPTION CANCELLED AS PROTEST.

CAIRO, Jan. 2nd.

The King of Afghanistan's white top hat has become a subject of religious controversy, much to the resentment of his majesty, who wears this emblem of European civilisation with undoubted enjoyment, writes Sir Percival Phillips in the *Daily Mail*.

The Ulemas (Mahommedan religious leaders) of Cairo intended to give the King a reception before his departure, but on seeing him appear in public adorned with headgear identical in colour and pattern with that of Lord Lloyd (the British High Commissioner) and other foreigners, instead of the usual tarboosh or its Afghan equivalent, they cancelled the function as an expression of their disapproval.

The Top Hat An Old Afghan Invention.

King Amanullah, on hearing of this action, is reported to have declared, with some heat that these hats, worn in Afghanistan generations ago, are in no sense a European novelty, and that he even had reason to believe that the West may have borrowed the idea from his own country.

The King of Afghanistan's hats first received wide publicity when he entered India equipped with a silk "topper," which was apparently built by a Kabul hatter according to mid-Victorian specifications.

Its sensational début at the Governor's garden party in Bombay convinced King Amanullah that other hats are more popular. Perhaps this was the reason he left the P. & O. liner *Rajputana* at Aden wearing a bowler hat. Before the launch reached the shore he had exchanged the bowler for the white top hat of his Court Chamberlain, who had purchased one before leaving Bombay, following the lead of Sir Francis Humphrys, the British Minister in Kabul.

Since then a white hat has been the constant companion of the King's well-cut morning coat.

SATURDAY'S BOXING TOURNAMENT.

MORRIS WINS THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

FRASER JUSTIFIES HIMSELF.

THE BEST BOXING SHOW THIS SEASON.

[BY BANTAM.]

Saturday's tournament at the Lee Theatre held under the auspices of the Hong Kong Boxing Association was easily the best seen this season. There were two outstanding bouts during which excitement ran high.

Morris, in defeating Silva, has won the middleweight championship of the Colony and the R. M. Dyer Belt. Silva was accorded a great ovation for his gameness. The fight went the full distance of 15 rounds, and although he was out boxed at an early stage, Silva doggedly kept on. Notwithstanding a swoollen eye, he was always willing to mix it.

Fraser who lost to Hall at the last tournament, staged a wonderful recovery on Saturday night. He gave Hall a thrilling fight and successfully demonstrated that science and ringcraft would tell in the end.

The other bouts were of a good standard and Mr. Brook, the capable manager of the Association is to be congratulated on the selection he made. The fans were well provided with thrills, and it can only be hoped that the next tournament, which will be on March 3rd, will be of the same standard.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

The Championship Fight.

Morris defeated Jose Pintos da Silva on points.

Welterweight.

Fraser defeated Hall on points.

Harris Beat Sharples.

(Sharples disqualified for Hitting low).

Batson K.o'd. Carney in fourth round.

Featherweight.

Shons beat Hume on points.

Lightweight.

Woeger defeated Sto. Broad.

Full House.

Lee Theatre was packed on Saturday night and those who went there to see some really first class scraps were certainly not disappointed. There were thrills and excitement galore.

H.E. the G.O.C. (Major-General C. C. Luard), the Hon. Sir J. H. Kemp (attorney-General) and Mr. R. M. Dyer were present.

THE BIG FIGHT.

MORRIS *v.* SILVA.

The main bout was staged after the interval. Mr. A. Murdoch refereed.

Signm. Morris of H.M.S. *Argus* tipped the scale at 147 lbs. Jose Pintos de Silva of the Portuguese transport *Pero d'Alenquer* scaled 154 lbs.

ROUND 1. Silva broke out from the hand-stake and immediately covered himself. His pose was certainly not impressive but his crouching defence up certainly saved him a tremendous amount of punishment.

There were not many blows each man trying to draw the other out.

ROUND 2. Morris sparred for an opening. Silva used his left to advantage; connecting several body punches. Morris used his left jabs frequently; one of which sent the Portuguese to the boards for a count of eight.

ROUND 3. Silva was still unwilling to open up; Honours even.

ROUND 4. Morris did all the attacking. He sent home several jabs and a dandy left hook to Silva's chin. Silva doggedly kept on, trying to get to close quarters and deliver his piston-like blows to the solar plexus regions. Morris' long reach, however, kept him at a safe distance.

ROUND 5. Silva got the better of this round. He opened out a bit and used his left and right frequently. Morris was in difficulties and had to keep on the defensive.

ROUND 6. A quiet round.

ROUND 7. Morris scored with his left aiming always at the face.

ROUND 9. Silva came up like a game cock and stuck to his man. Morris used his long reach to advantage. Silva was contented with hitting at the body.

ROUND 10. Silva did great work in this round. He scored with his left and right. Morris again tapped away with his left.

ROUND 11. Morris landed out rapidly and one of his blows got Silva on the left eye. Silva took his punishment gamely and stuck to his man until the sound of the gong.

ROUND 12. Playing for the injured eye of Silva, Morris connected a few more with his straight left jabs. Toward the end of this round, Silva was seeing with one eye.

ROUND 13. Silva slowed down in this round. Morris, however, was still fresh and dealt out more punishment.

ROUND 14. Silva tried to get home one of his hefty punches, but Morris kept away and whenever he saw an opening, he took full advantage of it.

ROUND 15. Silva made a superhuman effort in this round. He threw discretion to the winds and rushed at Morris. Morris was also willing to mix it and in a toe-to-toe fight, Morris was top scorer. Morris was declared the winner and Mr. R. M. Dyer fastened the belt on him.

BATSON *v.* CARNEY.

The curtain raiser was a six round contest in the welterweight class between Sgnm. Batson of H.M.S. *Iroquois* and Pte. Carney, K.O.S.B. Both men scaled at 140 lbs.

Neither contestants could boast of much science, but they were most pugnacious.

In the second round Batson was doing all the attacking and just before the gong sounded, he administered the sleeping potion to Carney.

SHONS *v.* HUME.

The six-round featherweight contest was between Sgn. Shons, H.M.S. *Seraphis* and Pte. Hume, K.O.S.B. Shons scaled 128 lbs. and Hume 129½ lbs.

Hume put up a great fight against Shous, but the latter had improved so much that Hume after three rounds, found that he was up against a tough proposition.

SHARPLES *v.* HARRIS.

The fight between Sto. Sharples of H.M.S. *Ambrose* and Marine Harris of H.M.S. *Argus* in the welterweight class was topped in the fourth round. Both men scaled round. Both men scaled at 147 lbs., and from the start until the fourth round when Sharples was disqualified for hitting low, the fight was a thrilling one.

The two fighters were full of kep and showed no mercy. It was a hard hitting bout while it lasted. Harris was given the decision.

FRASER *v.* HALL.

Marine Fraser (140 lbs.) of H.M.S. *Tamar* reversed the decision over L. S. Hall (137 lbs.) of H.M.S. *Titania*. They met in a ten round welterweight contest.

Fraser lost to Hall on points at a previous meeting.

On Saturday night Fraser made sure of his man and won notwithstanding a brave fight by Hall.

From the first to the last round, Hall was game and appeared to have a heavier punch. The last round was particularly spectacular.

Fraser gained of popular verdict.

BROAD *v.* WOLGER.

The last bout of the evening was between two novices. Driver Wolger (141 lbs.) Royal Artillery secured the victory on points from Stoker Broad (131 lbs.) of H.M.S. *Seraph* in a six round lightweight contest.

There was nothing between the two men. The fight was a bit of a farce and the fans were given a good laugh!

THE NEXT TOURNAMENT.

The next tournament will be held on March 3rd at Lee Theatre, Percival Street, when it is hope that Gunner Hornsey of H.M.S. *Argus* will be matched against Morris, the new Champion.

Hornsey before the "big fight" on Saturday night challenged the winner. He drew with Jose Pintos de Silva in a ten-round bout at Shanghai recently.

MILITARY BOXING.

SOUTH CHINA COMMAND TOURNAMENT.

FIRST TO BE HELD NEXT WEEK.

With the number of troops now in the Colony, there should be no lack of good material for the forthcoming South China Command Boxing Tournament.

This tournament will be the first annual event, and it is to be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, February 16th, 17th and 18th, at the R.A.S.C. Parade Ground, Whitfield Barracks, Kowloon (entrance opposite the Club de Recreio, Nathan Road).

The programme promises to be a very interesting one, no fewer than 78 fights being arranged. Five teams will take part, and the winning team will gain the South China Command Team Boxing Trophy, valued at about £30, together with a replica.

Teams will be from the Royal Artillery, the 2nd. Scots Guards 1st Queen's Royal Regiment, 2nd King's Own Scottish Borderers, and the Departmental Units.

The fights begin at eight o'clock each evening, and admission prices will be:—ringside seats (reserved) $2 (finals $3); ringside seats (unreserved) $1 (finals $2). Other seats, for Service men only, will be priced at 30 cents each.

STUDENTS' "RAGS" IN LONDON.

HOME SECRETARY TO DISCUSS PREVENTIVE MEASURES.

The scenes in the West End of London after the University Rugby match between Oxford and Cambridge, when theatres were invaded and performances stopped during the students' "rag," are to receive the attention of the Home Office.

Arrangements are being made for representatives of both Universities to see Sir William Joynson-Hicks, the Home Secretary. The students will discuss with him what steps can be taken to prevent a repetition of the recent scenes without interfering with the traditional liberty given to students to give vent to their high spirits after a match.

The next occasion a "rag" is expected is on Boat-race night, March 31st.

A CURIOUS PROFESSION.

PROFESSIONAL "PAWNER" SENTENCED.

A Chinese woman who adopted the curious profession of loitering round the pawnshops and pawning articles, under an assumed name, for persons who did not wish to do this job for themselves was charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday morning.

His Worship pointed out that people who did not pawn things for themselves were likely to be thieves and imposed a sentence of 11 weeks' imprisonment.

The defendant denied any connection with unlawful persons.

CRIMINAL'S LAST TRICK.

POSED AS DOCTOR TO GET POISON.

A criminal's trick to get poison with which to kill himself was revealed at an inquest at Birmingham on Harold Mifflin, aged 39, who was found unconscious in a bedroom at the Grand Hotel, Birmingham. He had a toe missing from each foot.

Mifflin, it was stated, registered at the hotel in the name of "John Cameron, Park-street, Preston," and sent a page to various chemists with a prescription signed "J. Cameron, M.DD.," asking for 50 veronal tablets of five grains strength.

One chemist supplied two tablets. Another, who at first demurred, received a note from "Cameron," and then supplied a bottle containing 25 tablets of barbitone, the equivalent of veronal. Ten grains or two tablets was the maximum dose, and the bottle was labelled "poison."

At the request of "Cameron," who said he thought he had pneumonia, one powdered tablet in milk was given to him. Later he became unconscious and the bottle was found empty under his bed.

Many Convictions.

Eleanor Mifflin said she married the man in 1912 under another name, but he left her within six months.

The acting coroner (Mr. D. Cuthbertson) said the man deserted his wife when she was expecting a child. From 1913 to 1924 he was convicted for various forms of fraud, including forgery. He was only released on licence in September last after serving four years' penal servitude. He was wanted by the police for various offences.

A verdict of suicide was recorded.

BRITAIN'S LONELY SOLDIERS.

THE INDIAN FRONTIER.

DULL LIFE BUT FINE TRAINING GROUND.

[BY SIR PERCIVAL PHILLIPS.]

LANDI KOTAL, KHYBER PASS.

Soldiering on the North-West Frontier is a dull job for Atkins, if you judge it by the standards of garrison life in civilised places, but it has one great virtue which he himself fully recognises. It is producing as fine a type of young soldier as the British Army has ever seen.

The "Old Contemptibles" would be justly proud of their successors in the field. Hard as nails, clear-eyed, keen, and well disciplined, they are a credit to the regiments they serve in this savage border country, where hillmen still look on war as the meat and drink of everyday life. Strenuous effort and the simple life have worked wonders with the raw material from English farms and workshops. Any martinet of a battalion commander would be proud of them.

And yet Atkins pays what he considers a high price for soldierly fitness. He hates the frontier. You cannot blame him. Cut off from most of the simple pleasures to which he is accustomed, hemmed in by high, bleak hills, behind which are strange, unfriendly people, without a patch of green to lighten the wastes of rock, and with even his supply of water become a valuable possession, he cannot be censured for looking with profound distaste on his surroundings.

Even Peshawar is merely tolerated. There the new soldier is comparatively in touch with civilisation. He can walk the dusty roads of the cantonment when off duty; there are native shops in which he can purchase home magazines and souvenirs; and playing fields for the encouragement of all sport. There are even nursemaids. Atkins may "walk out" if he feels that way—provided he is one of the lucky few, for obviously there are far more K.O.Y.L.I.s than the supply of nursemaids can content.

Peshawar, however, is a poor substitute for such cheerful depots as Lucknow or Lahore. The troops must circulate behind barbed wire. They cannot make excursions into the surrounding country, even if they so desired. Nor can they go into the native city, one of the most picturesque in all India, except by special arrangement. In the matter of cinemas, too, the entertainment fare falls short of requirements. "A hole," replies Atkins when asked what he thinks of Peshawar.

The Frontier Fort Of Landi Kotal.

Yet he is infinitely better off there than his comrades in this frontier fort of Landi Kotal. I cannot imagine a more cheerless or depressing place for the education of the young British soldier. It is tucked amid the grim folds of the Khyber, five miles from Afghanistan and twenty-five from Peshawar, a colony of drab hutments on a drab field, with the Khyber highway skirting one long side of its enclosed parade ground and all around it the gaunt hills of the Afridi country.

It has all the desolation of Aden without the mitigating influence of the sea. The vegetable world long since wrote it off as a total loss. A tree that found itself there would die of astonishment. The winter wind whistles down the pass with dust clouds in its wake; in summer the burning heat recalls the Sahara. The riflemen stationed here are as remote as the monks in an Alpine hospice, and, like them, are dedicated to an austere life in which work plays the most important part.

But they thrive. Indeed, they thrive. The soldiers that keep the Khyber are handy lads. They pass you with a cheerful smile, and their officers will tell you that just as they respond whole-heartedly to the instructors who keep them up to the mark, they make the most of their limited facilities for recreation.

This post-war young soldier is a new type to the Indians. They like him better than the roystering, rather truculent veteran of frontier campaigns who garrisoned the depots on the border half a generation ago. His training includes manners as well as drill. He does not kick an inoffensive native into the middle of the road on slight provocation, nor upset a stall in the bazaar as a sign that he is in good spirits. And the public drinking shops in the cantonments, where soldiers on pass are invited to amusements, sell more non-alcoholic drinks than the other kind.

I came upon a group of these lads in the high road to-day, bartering with the inevitable itinerant Indian pedlar who lives on the needs of the soldier in remote camps. They were dissecting his well-filled baskets and bargaining with fine determination over their contents. He was a shrewd merchant, that Indian. He had come out of Peshawar with a stock that most appealed to the exiles in the Khyber hills. And what do you think it was?

A heap of rather soiled and bedraggled bits of pasteboard, the oddments left over from other years. —Christmas-cards.—*Daily Mail.*

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FORECASTING THE MONSOON.

RESEARCH WORK TO BE EXTENDED.

NEW OBSERVATORY AT POONA.

DELHI, Jan. 11th.

A great new meteorological observatory has been ordered by the Government of India on the advice of its meteorological director, Mr. J. H. Field. It is to be built at Poona for special research work with a view to elaborate and accurate forecasting of the south-west monsoon, and will be brought into use in the coming summer.

The Meteorological Department, thanks to the researches brilliantly directed by Mr. Field, is now able regularly to forecast in mid-October the quantity of rainfall in Northern India in the next five months. The indications are given to within a fraction of an inch, and during 12 years wherever the system has been followed it has never proved fallacious. Further researches are proceeding in the hopes that it will be possible to forecast time and distribution as well as the quantity of winter rains. Mr. Field has pressed on the Government that, given workers and money, there is every reason to believe that the upper air investigation which has given such results in Northern India would produce similarly valuable results in regard to the south-west monsoon if it were prosecuted in suitable localities in the area of the main south-west currents.

On his advice the sum of ten lakhs of rupees [£75,000] has been sanctioned for the large observatory at Poona, and orders have been passed for the transfer of the meteorological headquarters thither from Simla with a great enlargement in expert staff. The transfer of the headquarters will begin in the middle of March, and it will be established in Poona on April 1st. The main strength of the Department will thus be directed to its new special work by the time that this year's rain currents from the ocean begin.

"GENTLEMEN, THE KING."

MR. TIM HEALY'S TRIBUTE.

BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

"The English, in my few years, have never interfered—I pledge my faith and honour to this—to the extent of a tittle or scintilla, in any Irish matter," said Mr. Tim Healy, K.C., Governor-General of the Irish Free State, at the banquet given in his honour by the Executive Council in Dublin on the eve of his retirement.

"The British Government left the Ministry absolutely free, left them, in fact, untouched, unadvised, and that tribute should not be left unpaid."

Commenting on the eulogistic references to himself, he asked, after a cascade of compliments had been showered upon him, if he might now be canonised.

"I have enjoyed all this flattery, but I am not such a fool as to believe it all. Old men are useful as undertakers, but the country needs young men.

"At my age I would not have the courage to enter upon the Shannon scheme, and certainly would not have the courage to abolish scrub bulls or prosecute people for soiled eggs."

The King.

Paying a tribute to his staff, he said that he had two little Protestant secretaries endowed to him by Lord FitzAlan, and one might as well expect indiscretion from them as to hear an oyster broadcast.

"You have," he concluded, "heard talk about 'our foreign King,' but there is one thing about this 'foreign King,' he is a gentleman, and we know his pedigree. I wish we knew as much about those who talk about his 'intereference in Irish affairs.'"

Mr. Cosgrave, who presided, said that those who were too young to remember the days when Mr. Healy's keen-edged sarcasm made him the terror of his adversaries, found it difficult to associate the gentle, paternal—he might almost say the patriarchal—counsellor of to-day with the sturdy hitter, the leonine figure, the uncompromising soldier of bygone years. He left the Viceregal Lodge for a well-earned rest with the affection and admiration of everyone in Ireland and elsewhere who had the pleasure and honour of knowing him.

The distinguished gathering included the Roman Catholic and Protestant Archbishops of Dublin.

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PLATINUM IN SIERRA LEONE.

FINDS IN 40 SQUARE MILES AREA.

STATE CONTROL OF PROSPECTING.

LONDON, Jan. 4th.

It was announced last night by the Colonial Office that platinum has been found in the West African colony of Sierra Leone.

The deposit-bearing area is one of 40 square miles, and the deposits, it is stated, "are likely to be of considerable importance."

The following is the official statement:

COLONIAL OFFICE,
January 3rd, 1928.

Platinum has been discovered in Sierra Leone.

It was first found in May 1926 by the Director of the Geological Survey, Major N. R. Junner, and a recent investigation by him indicates that the platinum bearing area is about 40 square miles in extent, and that the deposits, which are alluvial, are likely to be of considerable importance.

One nugget of platinum weighing 7.4 grms. (4¾ dwts.) was found by Major Junner. This nugget and some of the smaller grains of platinum have been presented to the British Museum (Natural History), South Kensington.

An analysis made by the Imperial Institute of the platinum shows that it compares very favourably in composition with the platinum from the Urals and from South Africa.

The platinum in Sierra Leone is associated with basic igneous rocks, resembling those of the Bush Veld igneous complex of South Africa

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in which important deposits of platinum metals have been found.

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(a) Their financial standing, and
(b) Their *bona fide* intention and capacity to undertake mining operations in the event of these being likely to prove profitable.

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Mr. R. W. L. Gawn, M.I.N.A., R.C.N.C., has contributed to *State Service* a very interesting and instructive account of ship models and experimental tanks. He pays full tribute to the pioneer work in this way of William Froude, who in 1870, under the ægis of the Admiralty, established the first practical experiment tank at Torquay. This proved so successful in yielding definite and important data regarding hull resistance that, in 1886, the Admiralty opened a large tank at Haslar, which is still in use. This tank is 400 feet long, with varying depths, the mean average being nine feet, and 20 feet wide. The models are towed from a dynamometer truck running on rails and wire drawn by an electric motor. Constancy of speed, which is essential to the value of the experiments, is attained by a potentiometer. At one end of the tank is a gently shelving beach upon which the waves of displacement can be studied. Larger tanks have since been built, so as to enable bigger models to be used and higher speeds carried out.

The models used at Haslar are about 16 feet long for big ships and 12 feet long for destroyers, although in other tanks where experiments in hull resistance are carried out models up to 25 feet long are by no means uncommon. They are usually fashioned out of hard paraffin wax, the shell being about ½ inches thick. The models are all cut to an intended freeboard of six inches, and, by gauging, the error of displacement is reduced to an absolutely negligible fraction. The resistance of the model when towing is recorded in a drum by the assistance of a very sensitive coil spring. The various experiments are of too technical a character to be described here, involving as they do various abstruse mathematical problems and the use of instruments of which the layman never even hears. A full set of experiments occupies about a week, during the course of which the natural changes of sinkage and trim with varying speeds are automatically recorded, and the profile of the wave of displacement along the ship's side, also its varying speed, is plotted from observations. Screw propellers are used, as nearly as possible to scale, and a drum records the thrust, torque, and number of revolutions. It will thus be seen that these tank experiments may vitally influence the original designs of a warship.

FIVE MORE GIANT AIRSHIPS.

ATLANTIC TRI-WEEKLY SERVICE PLAN.

R.100 TO BE SOLD.

This year will see the first Atlantic air race in history. It is a race between Great Britain and Germany for the honour of which is to be the first country to inaugurate an Atlantic air service between the two continents.

Commander Burney, M.P., managing director of the Airship Guarantee Company, Ltd., who left on January 11th for Canada and the United States, said:

"The R100 should be completed by the first week in July; I hope to have the trials completed in a few weeks, and I them intend to run demonstration flights to Canada and the United States.

"These are not intended to be a commercial service; when R100 starts a commercial air route it will be between Britain and Egypt.

"These preliminary flights will simply be to demonstrate the possibilities of an air liner incorporating the latest improvements. If she can reach America successfully, it shows that she can fly on the Far East route, which is almost entirely overland.

Carriage Of Mails.

"It is my intention to build five ships modelled on the lessons we shall learn from R100 to operate an alternate day service between England and North America.

"I have arranged with the British Postmaster-General for the carriage of the British mail on the basis of making a surcharge over and above the normal charge of approximately 6d. an ounce for letters and 2s. a pound for parcels, and am now going to discuss matters with the United States and Canadian postal authorities to ascertain if a similar arrangement can be made for the United States and Canadian mail.

"Our proposals for passengers at present are to charge £80 a berth in a four-berth cabin, £100 a berth in a two-berth cabin, and £120 for a single-berth cabin, as soon as the regular service is inaugurated."

Commander Burney also disclosed the fact that R100 is to be sold to the company as soon as the necessary financial operations are completed.

INSURANCE CARDS RUINED.

SWAMPED AT RECORDS OFFICE.

BENEFIT OF DOUBT FOR CONTRIBUTORS.

The Thames floods, says the *Daily Mail* of January 10th; have swamped the Unemployment Insurance Act. They have made it impossible in thousands of cases to determine accurately a man's right to statutory benefit.

In such cases, it was stated at the Ministry of Labour, it will be necessary to give the insured person the benefit of the doubt and considerable expenditure of money that would otherwise have been avoided may be thus entailed.

All this is the result of the inundation of the Ministry of Labour office at Kew, where the records of all these insured persons are kept. Every July the stamped unemployment insurance cards of some 15,000,000 men and women are sent by the local exchanges to Kew. The work of entering in ledgers the particulars of the number of stamps on each occupies a section of the staff for a whole year.

About half of them have now been entered in books which were kept above the floods. The remainder, awaiting entry, are filed in tiers of racks, and a third of them were covered by water when the Thames burst its banks in the neighbourhood and swamped the building.

A Pulpy Mass.

When the waters had receded and the officials went to look at them they found them little but a pulpy mass, from which stamps had been detached in wholesale numbers, so that in thousands of cases it may be impossible to determine accurately the number of contributions paid.

On the audit side there has been similar damage to the 1,250,000 receipts for benefit, many of them written in indelible pencil, which are received each week.

Usually all claims for unemployment benefit made at the local exchanges are sent to Kew for sanction before payment. This sanction depends on scrutiny of the filed records. As this work was impossible yesterday emergency instructions were telegraphed to all local exchanges authorising payment of claims on local inspection of the claimant's current card.

AIRCRAFT CATAPULTS.

AEROPLANES IN CRUISERS.

The Admiralty, it is understood, are well satisfied with the type of aircraft catapult which was originally fitted in the *Vindictive* whilst under reconstruction some three years ago, and has been subject to pretty effective tests during her commission on the China Station. As a result launching catapults of very similar design are being fitted in all new ships. We were much behind the American Navy in adopting this device, the Admiralty apparently preferring to follow the principle of "wait and see." It is manifestly of no use to furnish a warship with a seaplane unless she can send it flying under all reasonable conditions. The elementary plan of lowering it into the water and letting it take off is only feasible under favourable conditions of weather. But with the catapult an aircraft can be set going practically under any circumstances, and not least amongst the merits of this appliance is the fact that it takes up such a comparatively small amount of space.

Of course, the return of the aircraft remains quite a separate and very much more difficult problem. The catapult renders it feasible to despatch a seaplane in a strong breeze, but a seaplane cannot possibly land on a warship (other than an aircraft carrier) in a strong breeze. The utmost she can attempt to do is to alight on the water under the lee of the vessel and be hoisted in by a derrick. It is not difficult to imagine circumstances in which the question of the return of the aircraft would be of secondary importance; she could make for the nearest home port after fulfilling her mission, or, if an aircraft carrier were in the vicinity, it could pick her up. Presume her to have been despatched on a scouting trip, and to have gained the information required, she could drop a written message over her parent ship and then make her way to the nearest practicable landing. Wireless in small aircraft is never likely to be reliable; the installation means a serious addition to weight and the vibration of the machine renders is very hard to operate. During the various long-distance flights of last summer several of the machines were fitted with wireless, but in no case in which anxiety was felt for the safety of such was any communication received.—*Naval and Military Record.*

DUKE IN AN ART SCANDAL.

MISSING GOBELIN TAPESTRIES.

TALE OF OLD MASTER COPIES.

BERLIN.

The 26-years-old Duke of Anhalt, who made a romantic marriage with a pretty actress last February, has an immense quantity of valuable pictures, statues, tapestries, and books.

Some times ago he made up his mind to part with treasures worth about £250,000 and entered into an arrangement with a Berlin art dealer, Dr. Gurlitt, to put them on the market.

The duke's upholsterer, who doubtless regretted the loss of the commission which formerly accrued to him, maintained that things were sold at far too cheap a price. Perhaps this was why the duke declared that the contract with the art dealer was invalid.

A portrait by Carpaccio and a rare Bible were taken away from Dr. Gurlitt's premises on the ground that the portrait was really the property of Prince Eugene, the duke's brother, and that the Bible had to be handed over to the Free State of Anhalt.

To Dr. Gurlitt's astonishment the portrait was exhibited in London and sold for £4,400 to a Munich customer, and as to the Bible the Anhalt authorities say that they have not received it.

Dr. Gurlitt is bringing an action against the duke for £25,000 commission which he would have received had the contract been carried out.

It is expected that the Anhalt Government will intervene, for Dr. Gurlitt alleges that the duke's upholsterer hid two valuable portraits which, according to the arrangement between the duke and the Republican rulers who succeeded him, were to be handed over to the public authorities, and substituted for them two worthless copies.

Dr. Gurlitt proposes to call the duke's uncle, Prince Aribert, to give evidence about the disappearance of valuable Gobelin tapestries which should have been given up to the State.

UNDER-SEA DANCING.

BEAUTIFUL MERMAIDS AT THE CHELSEA ARTS BALL.

LONDON, Jan. 2nd.

The London art schools are conspiring to entertain 6,000 dancers at the Chelsea Arts Ball at the Albert Hall on January 5th.

The ball, which will be bigger than ever, is described as an undersea affair. The set-pieces are of the sea, and the lighting will give an impression of dancing under the sea. Facing the organ 50 beautiful red-haired mermaids with tails will recline amid rocks.

The various art schools have their own ideas of mermaids' costumes. Hundreds of mermaids will be there with detachable tails.

Neptune's Court, arranged by the Central School of Art, will have a 20ft. throne.

Venus rising from the Sea, after Botticelli's picture, is the Slade School's contribution. The birth of a pearl, with a pretty girl inside a shell on the top of a high rock, will be staged by the Westminster School of Art.

A sea serpent 70ft. long, giant conger eels, a 30ft. shark, and a school of sea horses are other ideas for the ball.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, February 5th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer..	29.89	29.90	29.85
Temperature	60	59	61
Humidity ..	74	93	92
Wind—			
Direction	E	E	E
Force ..	4	5	4
Weather ..	O	O	O
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

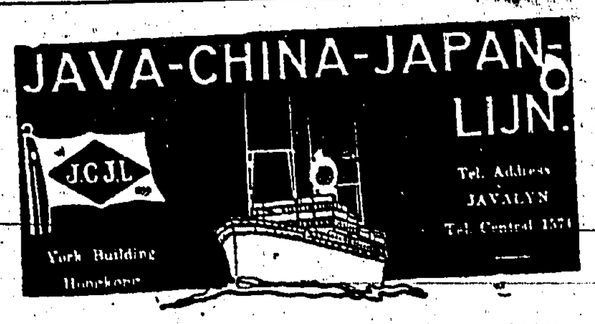
Highest open-air Temperature, 4th: 60
Lowest open-air Temperature, 5th: 58

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From February 6th to 12th, 1928.

Days of Week.	Date of Month.	High Water. Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.	Low Water. Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Mon.	6	m 1 10	4 3	m 4 20	0 5
		9 43 a	7 6	3 3 a	3 2
Tues.	7	m 1 42	4 4	m 4 54	0 7
		10 25 a	7 4	3 48 a	3 1
Wed.	8	0 12 a	4 4	m 5 27	1 0
		11 2 a	7 0	4 22 a	3 0
Thur.	9	0 40 a	4 5	m 5 59	1 3
		11 56 a	6 4	5 17 a	3 1
Fri.	10	1 6 a	4 6	m 6 32	1 7
				6 4 a	3 2
Sat.	11	m 0 9	5 8	m 7 6	2 2
		1 31 a	4 8	7 18 a	3 4
Sun.	12	m 0 45	5 3	m 7 41	2 6
		1 59 a	4 9	8 11 a	3 5



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TJILEBOET ...	—	—	10th ,,	NORTH CHINA
TJITAROEM ...	N. C. & AMOY	18th ,,	15th ,,	MACASSAR & JAVA
TJILIWONG ..	JAVA, MACASSAR	13th ,,	15th ,,	AMOY & N. CHINA
TJIKARANG ...	BATAVIA	16th ,,	18th ,,	AMOY, S'HAI, K'LUNG.
TJIKEMBANG	S'HAI, K'LUNG. & AMOY	20th ,,	22nd ,,	BATAVIA
TJIPANAS ...	JAVA, MANILA.	20th ,,	26th ,,	SWATOW & SAIGON
TJISALAK ...	JAVA, MACASSAR	27th ,,	29th ,,	AMOY & N. CHINA
TJILEBOET ...	N. C. & AMOY	27th ,,	29th ,,	BATAVIA
TJISAROEA ...	BATAVIA	1st Mar.	4th Mar.	AMOY & SHANGHAI.

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MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co., Agents.

Hong Kong, 2nd Feb., 1928. [5845

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J. LIMAGE,
Agent.
Hong Kong, 31st Jan., 1928. [5841

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Hong Kong, 2nd Feb., 1928. [5843

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Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyors: Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, the 7th February, 1928.

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J. LIMAGE,
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Hong Kong, 1st Feb., 1928. [5842

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SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"NEWCHWANG"	On	9th Feb.,	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI ...	"KWANGSE" ...	On	10th Feb.,	7 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SOOCHOW" ...	On	11th Feb.,	7 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG ...	"TEAN" ...	On	11th Feb.,	Noon
AMOY, SWATOW, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK ...	"KINGYUAN"...	On	12th Feb.,	7 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & DALNY ...	"LIANGCHOW"	On	13th Feb.,	8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK...	"KIANGSU" ..	On	14th Feb.,	10 a.m.
SHANGHAI ...	"YUNNAN" ...	On	15th Feb.,	7 a.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN ...	"KUEICHOW"...	On	15th Feb.,	4 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI...	"NANNING"...	On	16th Feb.,	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SHANTUNG"..	On	18th Feb.,	7 a.m.
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Shipping News

Arrivals and Departures, etc.

ARRIVALS.

February 3rd.

Honolulu Maru, Japanese str., 3,540 tons, Capt. J. Kabayashi, from Moji, which port she left on January 29th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

Newchwang, British str., 1,501 tons, Capt. N. Hardie, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A27.—B. & S.

February 4th.

Atlas Maru, Japanese str., 4,511 tons, Capt. K. Orihara, from Kobe and Shanghai. The latter port she left on February 1st, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A3.—O.S.K.

Deli Maru, Japanese str., 1,292 tons, Capt. K. Yugeta, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters.—O.S.K.

Hai Ying, British str., 832 tons, Capt. A. H. Stewart, from Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at Douglas Wharf.—Douglas S.S. Co.

Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Capt. W. Brewer, from Swatow, with 165 tons of general cargo, lying at Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On S.S .Co.

Lieut. Saint Loubert Bie, French str., 6,145 tons, Capt. Vomistici, from Shanghai, which port she left on January 31st, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Messageries Maritimes.

Limchow, French str., 1,416 tons, Capt. P. B. Morganti, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with general cargo and pigs, lying at buoy No. C39.—Sing Kee Co.

Song Bo, French str., 720 tons, Capt. J. Bounamour, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C41.—Messageries Maritimes.

Sunning, British str., 1,570 tons, Capt. R. Robertson, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

February 5th.

Hop Sang, British str., 1,356 tons, Capt. W. J. Booker, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at West Point Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Kiddekpore, British str., 5,334 tons, Capt. F. S. Murray, from Singapore, which port she left on January 29th, with cotton and general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—P. & O.

Onderkerk, Dutch str., 4,911 tons, Capt. J. N. Worfelaar, from Bremen *vid* Manila. The latter port she left on February 2nd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A5.—J.C.J.L.

President Pierce, American str., 8,393 tons, from Seattle and Shanghai. The latter port she left on February 3rd, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar S.S. Line.

Ryusho Maru, Japanese str., 1,744 tons, Capt. Z. Hirohara, from Dairen, which port she left on January 29th, with coal and general cargo, lying at buoy No. B50.—M.B.K.

Taijin Maru, Japanese str., 869 tons, Capt. K. Tachibana, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at Wanchai.—M.B.K.

Vulcanus, Dutch str., 707 tons, Capt. E. de Muinck, from Swatow, lying at North Point.—A.P.C.

Yingchow, British str., 1,216 tons, Capt. A. H. Bathurst, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C15.—B. & S.

CLEARANCES.

February 4th.

Altair, for Los Angeles.
Borneo, for Hoihow.
Chak Sang, for Swatow.
Cheong Shing, for Canton.
Chiau Lee, for Bangkok.
Chinhua, for Hoihow.
Deli Maru, for Canton.
Ginyo Maru, for Moji.
Gran, for Hongay.
Honolulu Maru, for Singapore.
Kaijo Maru, for Swatow.
Limchow, for Canton.
Lt. St. Loubert Bie, for Colombo.
Norriken, for Swatow.
Rollon, for Dalny.
Shiu Hing, for Macao.
Song Bo, for Kwong Chow Wan.
Soon Ann, for Hoihow.
Sunning, for Canton.
Tjikembang, for Shanghai.
Wai Shing, for Canton.
Wing Wo, for Kwong Chow Wan.

February 5th.

Atlas Maru, for Singapore.
Onderkerk, for Yokohama.
Sandviken, for Manila.
Seang Bee, for Amoy.
Taijun Maru, for Canton.
Taisi Maru, for Takao.
Tak Hing, for Macao.
Vulcanus, for Foochow.
Yingchow, for Shanghai.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

FOR FEBRUARY, 1928.

STANDARD TIME OF THE 120th MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH.

Date.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
February 6th....	1.01 a.m.	6.14 p.m.
" 7th....	7.00 "	6.15 "
" 8th....	7.00 "	6.15 "
" 9th....	6.59 "	6.16 "
" 10th....	6.59 "	6.17 "
" 11th....	6.58 "	6.18 "
" 12th....	6.58 "	6.18 "
" 13th....	6.57 "	6.19 "
" 14th....	6.57 "	6.19 "
" 15th....	6.56 "	6.20 "
" 16th....	6.56 "	6.20 "
" 17th....	6.55 "	6.21 "
" 18th....	6.54 "	6.21 "
" 19th....	6.54 "	6.22 "
" 20th....	6.53 "	6.22 "
" 21st....	6.52 "	6.23 "
" 22nd...	6.51 "	6.23 "
" 23rd....	6.50 "	6.23 "
" 24th....	6.49 "	6.24 "
" 25th....	6.49 "	6.24 "
" 26th....	6.48 "	6.25 "
" 27th....	6.47 "	6.26 "
" 28th....	6.47 "	6.26 "
" 29th....	6.46 "	6.27 "

A REINDEER TRAGEDY.

100 KILLED AND MAIMED ON RAILWAY.

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The Swedish Press tells the story of a reindeer herd of about 1,000 animals which happened to cross a railway line of the National Frontier Railway up in Lapland, above the Polar Circle. The driver of the electrical train, passing at high speed, did not see the grey-white animals against the snow, so that about 100 reindeer were killed or maimed. Many animals got frightened and disappeared in the thick Lapland forest, where they are not easily found. The Lapp owners will be paid by the State railways.

The winter up in Northern Lapland is this year so cold that the Lapps have decided to move from the mountain regions down to the valleys, although the reindeer fodder has been excellent and abundant. The animals are well fed and in good condition, so that the Lapps expect to do good business in spring, when the excellent reindeer meat is exported southwards.

PASSENGERS.

Departures.

Per s.s. *Malwa*, for London, *viâ* ports, on February 4th:—From Shanghai: Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Allen and child, Mr. L. Boulter, Sister Barbara, Mrs. W. Beatty, Mr. J. Boughton, Miss W. C. Broadfoot, Mr. J. Burnside, Comdr. E. K. Boddam-Whetham, Mr. and Mrs. W. Palmer Baker, Miss Beezley, Mrs. M. Conlon and infant, Mrs. M. Courtis, Miss J. Courtis, Courtis, Mr. F. L. Clarke, Mrs. A. M. Cannon, Miss H. Cull, Major-Gen. and Lady Duncan, Miss Duncan, Gnr. T. J. Doyle, Mr. H. M. Eldridge, Miss Fryth, Mrs. A. E. Fenton and the Misses Fenton, Mr. T. P. Givens, Dr. and Mrs. E. G. Gauntlett and son, Mr. J. S. Graham, Miss Braham, Miss Guthrie, Mr. T. Graham, Teleg. J. F. Hughes, Mrs. de Havilland, Mr. R. S. Harrison, Teleg. A. S. Jones, Mrs. H. S. Lindsay and family, Mrs. A. Marshall, Mr. F. G. Monet, Mr. R. F. C. Master, Mr. J. McGregor, Miss Morgan, Mr. S. Moti, Mr. R. J. Oakford, Stoker Pickett, Mr. and Mrs. I. Packeove, Miss Paskeove, Dr. A. Popp, Chaplain E. A. Rigdon, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Roe, Miss Roe, Mrs. C. Roesholm, Lt.-Cdr. H. E. Seaman, Mrs. M. P. Smirnoff, Mrs. J. Stevens, Mr. W. V. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. W. Turner and the Misses Turner, Sergt. Thompson, Mr. F. J. C. Wilson, Mr. W. Wilson, Capt. L. B. Wilbraham. From Hong Kong: Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Anslow and two children, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Balloch, Lt.-Cdr. L. B. Bishop, R.N., Mr. A. S. Blanckensee, Mr. G. H. Bridges, Lt. W. G. Brittain, R.N., Mrs. E. E. Chester and two children, Miss G. Chettle, Mr. and Mrs. W. le F. Chevalier, Miss P. A. Chevalier, Mr. W. D. Clewer, Mr. F. J. Cole, Mrs. L. Cooper, Miss E. M. Fielding, Lt.-Cdr. D. Garvey, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. G. Gregory, Mr. J. B. Gregory, Mr. P. H. Hansen, Capt. G. C. Howe, Capt. and Mrs. J. M. Hunt, Lt. D. C. Ingram, R.N., Lt. R. McP. Jonas, R.N., Rev. P. Kennelly, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Kirby, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lim, Lt. F. D. Lipscombe, R.N., Lt. P. T. A. Love, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lyne and son, Mr. M. McTernan, Mr. F. R. Milne, Mrs. A. Murdock and son, Lt. L. L. B. Myers, R.N., Lt. R. J. O'Donnell, R.N., Mr. E. Olsen, Mr. O. Olsen, Mr. H. Paulsen, Miss M. V. B. Paton, Mr. H. H. Pegg, Mr. J. W. Pilcher, Mrs. P. Ress, Miss D. P. Rees, Mr. F. L. Robbins, Mrs. C. de Rome, Miss E. Rome, Mr. E. A. Settle, Mr. J. T. Shand, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Stewart and two children, Mr. G. A. Stimson, Mrs. R. W. Stoddart, Mr. M. C. G. Taylor, Mr. C. Thomasson, Surg.-Lt.-Cdr. D. W. Tighe, Mr. and Mrs. J. and Miss Turbyne, Lt. C. S. B. Turnbull, R.N., Lt. R. D. Watkins, R.N., Mr. W. E. Webber, Mr. A. C. Wertheim, Mr. W. J. Wilton, Mr. S. K. Wong.

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The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* left Yokohama for Vancouver on Friday at 3 p.m., and is due at Vancouver on February 12th.

The E. & A. s.s. *Tanda* left Manila for Hong Kong on the 3rd inst., with the outward Australian mails, and is due here to-day (Monday) at daylight.

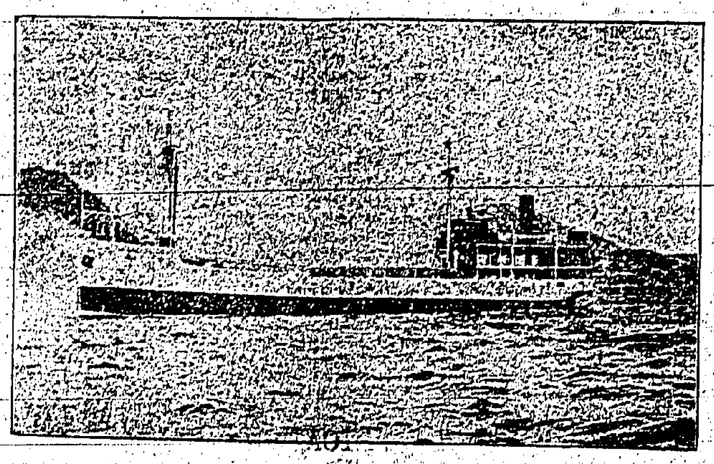
The P. & O. s.s. *Morea*, from Hong Kong, arrived at Marseilles on February 3rd at 8 a.m.

The B.I. and Apcar Line s.s. *Tilawa* left Singapore for Hong Kong on the afternoon of the 3rd inst., and is due here on the morning of the 9th inst.

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TIENTSIN ...	"WAISHING"	Wed., 8th Feb., at 5 p.m.
KOBE via AMOY & MOJI	"YUENSANG"	Sun., 12th Feb., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, S'HAI, MOJI & KOBE ...	"FOOKSANG"	Wed., 15th Feb., at 7 a.m.
KOBE via AMOY, MOJI & YOKOHAMA ...	"HOSANG"	Thurs., 23rd Feb., at 7 a.m.
CANTON ..	"HOPSANG"	Tues., 7th Feb., at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA...	"KUTSANG" "KUMSANG"	Thurs., 9th Feb., at 3 p.m. Wed., 15th Feb., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN ...	"MAUSANG"	Thurs., 9th Feb., at 3 p.m.

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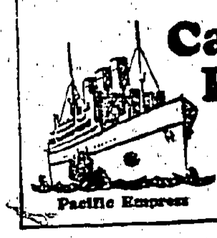


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KAMO MARU Saturday, 11th Feb.
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SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.
MISHIMA MARU Wednesday, 22nd Feb.
TANGO MARU Wednesday, 21st Mar.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
† OSAKA MARU Tuesday, 7th Feb.
TAMBA MARU Saturday, 11th Feb.
† TASMANIA MARU Friday, 17th Feb.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.
GINYO MARU Monday, 6th Feb.

SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.
KAWACHI MARU Wednesday, 29th Feb.

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† TATSUNO MARU Friday, 10th Feb.

LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.
† DELAGOA MARU (Calls Saigon) ... Thursday, 9th Feb.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
† TOTTORI MARU Sunday, 12th Feb.
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AKI MARU Friday, 17th Feb.

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	Further Sailings	Expected here on or about	Will leave homeward-bound on or about
M.S. "Australien"	...	14th February	20th March
M.S. "Asia"	...	27th February	5th April
M.S. "Afrika"	...	28th March	30th April
M.S. "Malaya"	...	15th April	27th May
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Shipping News

Week-End Statement, Waterfront News, etc.

WEEK-END FREIGHT RETURNS.

THE STATEMENT FOR SATURDAY AND YESTERDAY.

ONLY MODERATE CARGOES.

Only moderate cargoes were returned in the week-end freight reports and there were not many arrivals. Saturday showed the best return for Hong Kong, and also for other ports.

With thirteen arrivals, and 17 departures for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday, there were 11,512 tons of cargo entered for local discharge, of which five British ships brought 5,805 tons, the best entry being 4,500 tons of coal and general. The remaining 10,707 tons was brought in six vessels of other flags, the best returns being 8,000 tons of oil in an American steamer, and 1,076 tons of general brought by a Japanese ship.

Freight for other ports came to 29,133 tons, with 2,533 tons in three British steamers, of which one ship contributed 1,600 tons. In five vessels of other nationality there were 17,505 tons, with 7,500 tons of general cargo in a French vessel, and 4,246 tons of general and 4,376 tons of general in two Japanese ships.

Yesterday's Statement.

Yesterday's statement showed 2,703 tons only for Hong Kong, of which two British vessels contributed 750 tons, and five other vessels 2,015 tons, the best entry being 1,000 tons in a Japanese ship.

Through freights totalled 11,583 tons, with only 558 tons in two British steamers, and 11,025 tons in other ships, the biggest entry being 6,000 tons.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

American Mail Line.
President Madison, to-day.

Australian-Oriental Line.
Changte, to-morrow.
Taiping, Mar. 9th.

Bank Line.
City of Benares, Feb. 12th.
City of Adelaide, Feb. 17th.
City of Durham, March 16th.
City of Dunkirk, Mar. 17th.
City of Bombay, April 4th.
City of Eastbourne, April 11th.
City of Carlisle, April 14th.
City of Roubaix, April 14th.
City of Burmingham, May 4th.
City of Athens, May 12th.
City of Chester, May 25th.

British-India and Apcar Line.
Tilawa, Feb. 9th.
Takada, Feb. 10th.
Tulma, Feb. 19th.
Talamba, Feb. 24th.
Takliwa, Feb. 28th.

Canadian Pacific Line.
Empress of Australia, Feb. 10th.

Dodwell & Co.
Romola, March 1st.
Tugela, March 9th.

Dollar Steamship Line.
President Pierce, to-day.

East Asiatic Co., Copenhagen.
Australien, Feb. 14th.
Asia, Feb. 27th.
Afrika, Mar. 26th.
Malaya, April 15th.
Danmark, May 25th.

Blue Funnel Line.
Talthybius, to-morrow.
Aeneas, Feb. 13th.
Autolycus, Feb. 20th.
Achilles, Feb. 29th.
Polyphemus, Feb. 29th.
Bellerophon, Mar. 2nd.
Calchas, March 5th.
Sarpedon, Mar. 8th.
Rhesus, Mar. 16th.
Teiresias, Mar. 18th.
Tyndareus, Mar. 18th.
Menelaus, Mar. 22nd.
Eurylochus, Mar. 27th.
Automedon, April 1st.
Patroclus, April 5th.
Protesilaus, April 10th.
Phemius, April 11th.
Agapenor, April 15th.
Laomedon, April 24th.
Orestes, April 22nd.
Machaon, May 2nd.
Teucer, May 22nd.
Pyrrhus, May 30th.

Eastern and Australian Lines.
Tanda, to-day.
St. Albans, Mar. 5th.
Arafura, April 2nd.

Glen Line.
Glenapp, Feb. 8th.
Glenluce, Feb. 29th.
Carmarthenshire, March 5th.
Glengarry, March 16th.
Glentara, April 4th.

Hamburg-Amerika Linie and Hugo Stinnes Linien.
Saarland, to-morrow.
Havelland, Feb. 25th.
Emil Kirdorf, Feb. 26th.
Havenstein, March 7th.
Scheer, Mar. 12th.
Carl Legien, March 23rd.

Java-China-Japan Line.
Tjisondari, to-day.
Tjiliwong, Feb. 13th.
Tjitaroem, Feb. 13th.
Tjikarang, Feb. 18th.
Tjikembang, Feb. 20th.
Tjipanas, Feb. 26th.
Tjisalak, Feb. 27th.
Tjileboet, Feb. 27th.
Tjisaroea, March 1st.

Messageries Maritimes.
D'Artagnan, Feb. 14th.
Sphinx, Feb. 15th.
Talou, Feb. 25th.
Porthos, Feb. 29th.
Paul Lecat, Mar. 14th.
B.P. Benoit, Mar. 21th.
Andre Lebon, Mar. 28th.

Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Kashima Maru, to-day.
Delagoa Maru, Feb. 8th.
Tatsuno Maru, Feb. 9th.
Tottori Maru, Feb. 11th.
Kamo Maru, Feb. 10th.
Tamba Maru, Feb. 10th.
Mishimi Maru, Feb. 12th.
Tango Maru, Feb. 16th.
Tasmania Maru, Feb. 16th.
Morioka Maru, Feb. 17th.

Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen.
Augsburg, Feb. 10th.
Coblenz, Feb. 14th.
Oder, Feb. 20th.
Fulda, March 12th.

Peninsular and Oriental.
Alipore, Feb. 10th.
Kurmala, Feb. 12th.
Kashmir, Feb. 17th.
Kaiyan, Feb. 24th.
Khyber, Feb. 17th.
Mantua, Mar. 1st.
Nagpore, March 5th.
Mongolia, Mar. 16th.
Lahore, March 18th.
Morea, Mar. 29th.
Jeypore, April 9th.
Kashgar, April 12th.
Malwa, April 26th.
Novara, May 7th.
Devanha, May 10th.
Macedonia, May 24th.
Nankin, June 4th.

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

MARINE COURT CASES.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

At the Marine Court on Saturday morning, the master of the steam launch *Hop Wo* was fined $10, or ten days' hard labour for failing to observe the rule of the road. The case is to be brought to the notice of the Harbour Master as there has been a previous conviction for a similar offence.

The master of the steam launch *Hang Shun* was fined $5, or five days' hard labour in default, for failing to observe the rule of the road.

The mistress of a licensed passenger boat pleaded guilty to committing a breach of the conditions of her passenger licence by carrying cargo, other than passengers' luggage, namely 11 bales of papers. She was fined $5, or five days' hard labour in default.

The mistress of another licensed passenger boat was fined the same sum for a similar offence. She carried on her boat 12 dozen bottles of mineral waters.

"New Ships."

A new regulation under the Merchant Shipping Ordinance of 1899 is announced in the *Government Gazette*. *Inter alia*, it says that a "new ship" means a ship whose keel was or shall be laid on or after January 1st, 1928; any other ship shall be deemed an "existing ship" within the meaning of the Board of Trade regulations.

Submerged Junk.

Arriving from Swatow, the master of the British steamer *Kwai Sang*, reports that a submerged junk was observed, off Mendoza Island, mid-way between Swatow and Shanghai, on Friday morning.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

The total number of Asiatic deck passengers entered for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday was 81, and for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, 177.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

Warships and auxiliaries in port yesterday were:—

North Wall Basin, *Ambrose*, S/M. *L.19*; South Wall Basin, *Petrel*, *Gannet*, *Cicala*, *Nessus*; East Wall Basin, S/M. *L.5*, *Tern*; North Arm, *Titania*, S/Ms. *L.1*, *L.2*, *L.3*, *L.7*, *L.8*, *L.20*, *L.22*; West Wall Dock, *Marazion*, *Magnolia*; In Dock, *Herald*, S/Ms. *L.4*, *L.27*; No. 1 Buoy, *Argus*; No. 4 Buoy, *Iroquois*; No. 5 Buoy, *Sterling*; No. 8 Buoy, *Carlisle*; No. 9 Buoy, *Hollyhock*; No. 10 Buoy, *Seraph*, *Thracian*; No. 11 Buoy, *Sepoy*, *Symme*; No. 12 Buoy, *Serapis*, *Sirdar*; No. 13 Buoy, *Bruce*, *Kharki*; No. 18 Buoy, *Ruthenia*; No. 20 Buoy, *Fortol*, *Belgol*.

Foreign Men of War:—Italian, *Sebastuno Caboto*; Portuguese, *Pero de Alenquer*; U.S.S. *Asheville*.

Prince Line.
Chinese Prince, Feb. 21st.
Malayan Prince, Mar. 18th.

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Sumatra, March 10th.

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"CITY OF GLASGOW"	Havre, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg	24th April
"CITY OF EASTBOURNE"	Havre, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg	26th May

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"MANTUA"	10,946	31st Mar.	do.
‡"KALYAN"	9,144	7th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
‡"MONGOLIA"	16,504	14th April	Marseilles and London.
*"NAGPORE"	5,283	21st April	do.
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"MALWA"	10,986	26th May	do.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	9th June	Marseilles London and Antwerp.
"NOVARA"	6,989	16th June	Marseilless and London.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	23rd June	do
"KHYBER"	9,114	7th July	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"NANKIN"	7,058	14th July	Marseilless and London.
"MANTUA"	10,946	21st July	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	4th Aug.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
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"TILAWA"	10,006	11th Feb.	Amoy, S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
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"TALMA"	10,000	21st Feb.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"KALYAN"	9,144	25th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
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"MANTUA"	10,946	2nd Mar.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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"MOREA"	10,953	30th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama.
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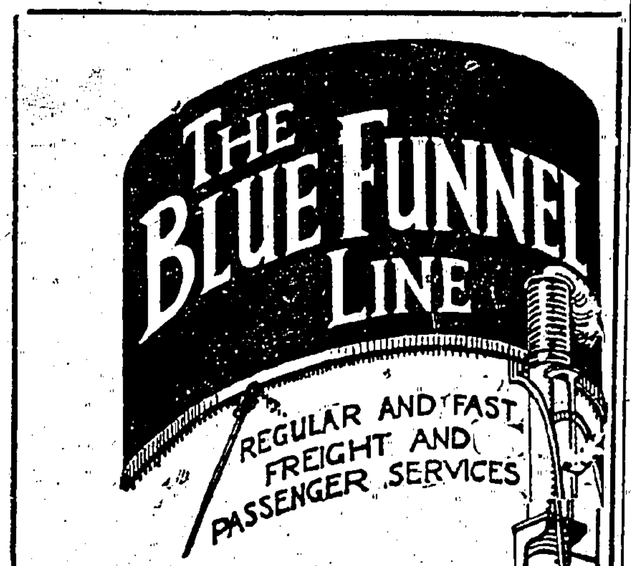
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From	Per	Due
Straits	*Kashima Maru* ...	6th Feb.
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Straits	*Tilawa*	9th Feb.
Manila	*Emp. of Australia*	10th Feb.
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Japan & Shanghai	*D'Artagnan* ...	14th Feb.
Australia & Manila	*Tango Maru* ...	16th Feb.
Japan & Shanghai	*Khyber* ...	17th Feb.
Straits	*Hakone Maru* ..	19th Feb.
Japan	*Mishima Maru*	21st Feb.
Japan & Shanghai...	*Katori Maru* ...	24th Feb.
Straits	*Suwa Maru*	4th Mar.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
		Monday, 6th.
Japan	*Ginyo Maru* ...	10.30 A M
Bangkok	*Tai Lee*	10.30 A M
Swatow	*Hydrangea*	2.30 P M
Manila	*Pres. Pierce*	4.30 P M
Amoy	*Ichang* ...	4.30 P M
Shanghai, Japan & EUROPE via Siberia	*Kashima Maru* ...	5.00 P M
		Tuesday, 7th.
Bangkok via Swatow	*Helios*	8.30 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Hua Ning*	1.00 P M
		Kowloon P.O.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 9th March ...	*Perseus* ...	Reg. 1.00 P M Letters 1.00 P M *G.P.O.* Reg. 1.45 P M Letters 2.30 P M
Saigon	*Telemachus* ...	2.00 P M
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 27th Feb., & Europe via Siberia ...	*Pres. Madison* ..	Parcels 3.00 P M Reg. 4.15 P M Letters 5.00 P M
Swatow	*Kwai Sang* ...	5.00 P M
		Wednesday, 8th.
Java via Batavia	*Tjisondari* ..	1.30 P M
		Thursday, 9th.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	*Deli Maru* ..	8.30 A M
Straits & Calcutta	*Kut Sang* ...	Parcels Noon Letters 1.00 P M
Sandakan	*Mausang* ...	1.30 P M
		Friday, 10th. Noon
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Hai Ching* ..	*Kowloon P.O.*
Straits, Ceylon India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 11th March	*Kamo Maru* ...	Reg. 4.30 P M Let. 11th, 9.00 A M *G.P.O.* Reg., 11th, 8.45 A M Letters 9.30 A M
		Saturday, 11th.
Amoy	*Yuensang*	5.00 P M
		Monday, 13th.
Shanghai	*Emp. of Australia*	5.00 P M
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 24th February	*Changte*	Parcels 5.00 P M Reg., 14th, 9.45 A M Letters 10.30 A M
		Tuesday, 14th. Noon
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Hai Hong*	*Kowloon P.O.*
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